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A great selection divided into two most attractive groups, and WHAT BARGAINS!

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TODAY'S THE DAY For YOU to Come In

FIVE CARS INVOLVED IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENT

An unusual accident in which five cars were involved occurred on Wednesday night, on Yates Street, at Hainsford Street, a city police report stated.

W. J. Worswick, 453 Head Street, told police he was driving west on Yates Street, about 9:30 o'clock, when his car was in collision with another driven by O. Kendall, Cadboro Bay, which was proceeding in the same direction and turning on to Hainsford Street, and continued on, striking an automobile driven east on Yates Street by H. J. Sims, Newport Avenue. After this second collision Mr. Worswick's car struck another parked at the south side of

Yates Street and pushed it into a second machine parked alongside.

CANCELLING DEBTS

HOUSTON, Dec. 28 (AP)—Dr. J. R. Wagnack, practicing physician here for forty-six years, announces that he is cancelling the debts of all who owe him for medical services. Debts totaling \$3,200 are on his books.

ROME, Dec. 27 (AP)—The "Hall of a Hundred Days," famed for Giorgio Vasari's frescoes, was threatened by fire in the Papal Chancery Palace in the heart of Rome today, but was saved from serious danger by firemen after a two-hour fight.

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Law School Lecturer Found to Have Acted On Romantic Impulse

Allan Findlay Fined One Dollar and Costs for Breach of Defence Regulations—Had No Intention of Aiding Enemy

HALIFAX, Dec. 28 (AP)—A "romantic impulse" caused twenty-five-year-old Allan Findlay to convey information about military, naval and air force movements in a letter to his Danish fiancée in Copenhagen, according to a decision handed down here today by Magistrate R. E. Inglis.

Magistrate Inglis found the youthful law school lecturer technically guilty of a violation of defence of Canada regulations. He imposed a fine of \$1 and costs.

The magistrate held as a fact that Findlay "had no intention of attempting to communicate by the said letter any information which might be used against his country." On the evidence, however, he was obliged to enter a technical conviction.

PLANS NO APPEAL
Findlay's counsel said there would be no appeal of the decision. The fine, extended to \$7 by police and court costs, was paid shortly after judgment was given.

As Magistrate Inglis finished reading the decision, friends and colleagues crowded around Findlay to congratulate him. Outside of a broadening of his usual smile, however, Findlay showed no signs of emotion.

Through the hearing Findlay, Rhodes scholar and former Maritime golf champion, had remained cool and at ease. On the stand, under a two-hour questioning, he had displayed only an easy smile.

In his decision, Magistrate Inglis said: "One may wonder why a man of Mr. Findlay's training should state even well-known facts regarding naval, military or other matters involving the safety of the state in a letter during a time of war—especially in a letter going beyond the bounds of the Empire."

UNDER ROMANTIC IMPULSE
"The explanation seems to be that he was writing to his fiancée, who has never been in this country, and under a romantic impulse, he desired to place before her, in an interesting manner, an outline of his movements and of what he saw in the city where he lives."

He added, however, that matters referred to in the letter came within the defence of Canada regulations, leaving him no alternative but to enter a conviction.

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Summarizing the fighting of December 27 in the fourth week of the war, the communiqué said that Soviet Russian planes had been shot down, and indicated that Finnish troops are fighting in three places on the Russian soil.

On the eastern front, 185 miles north of Lake Suunto, the communiqué said, the Russians were "failing" in fighting that was still proceeding east of Liska.

"The enemy also has been pushed back across the frontier northeast of Liska," the communiqué added.

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French Film Gets Award of Board

NEW YORK, Dec. 28 (AP)—"Port of Shadows," a French film made by Jean Renoir, has been judged the best foreign language movie of 1939 by the National Board of Review, an organization of women's clubs and civic groups.

The foreign award was erroneously reported to have gone to "Harvest," which placed second to "Port of Shadows" in the selections announced by the board last Sunday.

Parents and friends of members of the Kinsmen Club Boys' Band, numbering approximately one hundred, crowded the band rooms, 1114 Langley Street, last night for the first annual Christmas party and entertainment. The thirty-eight boys performed before a gathering for the first time, and E. H. Harris, chairman of the band committee, acquainted those present with the operation and financial setup of the group since its inception last June.

Gay decorations festooned the large room and entertainment, featuring the young musicians and William Harkness, magician, was heightened by an abundance of refreshments, enjoyed by all.

Mr. Harris said that the band had been solely under the direction of Alfred Prescott since June, when the equipment and instruments were purchased from his predecessor. The band, he continued, was not affiliated with any other organization soliciting funds for the benefit of young bandmen.

THREE FUNDS
Finances were divided into three funds, the chairman continued. First there were the small fees paid by the members which went towards upkeep of band headquarters. Secondly, were the funds donated by the Kinsmen Club itself, or money derived from projects staged by the band committee, used to defray expenses which the first fund did not cover, such as the summer camp for the boys, theatre parties, etc.

The third fund was composed of money raised from major projects, such as the "peanut day," staged last summer, which was kept separate, to provide uniforms. Uniforms for the band would total \$1,500, Mr. Harris said, each one costing \$50. After the uniforms were purchased, the fund would be utilized for new instruments.

INITIAL CONCERT
He said that on February 20, the band would give its first initial public concert, full details of which would be announced later.

Mr. Harris then introduced Mr. Prescott, the conductor, who traced the various steps through which he led the boys on their way to becoming polished musicians. His talk, from his first statement on the value of playing scales, was illustrated by the band, which advanced until the highlight number, "Gypsy Festival," was played.

On behalf of the members, Mr. Prescott was presented with an inscribed gold cigarette case by Stewart Brunell.

Mr. Harkness presented a well-balanced and clever magical act. Members of the band committee, who assisted with the arrangements

for the party, were Harold Bourne, Jack Phillips, Joe McAllister, Victor Gilbert and Mr. Harris.

Resignation of Bishop Accepted
LONDON, Dec. 28 (AP)—The Archbishop of Canterbury today accepted the resignation of Rt. Rev. Francis Norris as bishop of North China. He will be succeeded by Rt. Rev. Thomas Scott, now bishop of Shantung.

Bishop Norris, who is seventy-five, has been bishop of North China for twenty-five years.

Pioneer Passes At Bella Coola
BELLA COOLA, B.C., Dec. 28 (AP)—Mrs. Ole Nygaard, who came here forty-five years ago as a girl of fifteen with a band of Norwegian colonists, died suddenly today.

She is survived by her husband, three daughters, Mrs. Jack Greenaway, of Naramata; Mrs. Jack Higginson and Helen, of Bella Coola; and one son, Melvin, of Bella Coola.

Waterproof Wrist Watches
Westfield \$19.75 Bulova \$24.75
Mido, from \$37.50 Automatic, from \$50.00
Rolex, from \$37.50 Automatic, from \$75.00

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Ruins of Cleopatra's Roman Home Found On Banks of the Tiber

Evidence of Splendid Ancient Structures Unearthed During Excavation—Scholars Super-vising Digging—Fine Frescoes Discovered

ROME, Dec. 28 (AP).—Ruins of what archaeologists believe was the home of Julius Caesar provided for Cleopatra when the Egyptian Queen came to Rome nearly 2,000 years ago have been found by workmen grading banks of the River Tiber.

Elaborate frescoes and mosaics, when these finds came to light, scholars took charge of the excavating and something of the story told by the frescoes has been pieced together by Amy Bernardy, Italian lecturer.

These frescoes, in which gaily-

decorated boats sailed seas filled with dolphins, octopi and other marine life, indicated these ruins were of the gardens of Caesar, a mile outside the walls of ancient Rome.

It was there, Miss Bernardy believes, that Caesar established Cleopatra, by whom he had a son, Caesarion.

Caesar brought the Queen of the Nile to Rome between 48 and 46 B.C. as a hostage. The Romans disapproved. So it was arranged that she should live in seclusion outside the city.

Elaborate dwellings were built for her, or commandeered, on the banks of the Tiber. Around her was the foreign colony of Egypt, composed largely of Egyptians, Greeks and Syrians.

LUXURIOUS APPOINTMENTS
Apparently she lived in luxury. There were frescoed rooms with heating apparatus, baths and temples. Remnants of glassware and pottery lamps were found, with figurines of the Goddess of Fortune

and her symbolic cornucopia on them.

The Egyptian gods, Isis and Serapis, appear on at least one boat in the many-colored frescoes. Images of racial, national or local divinities were painted commonly upon ancient vessels to designate their nationality.

One entire room from Cleopatra's supposed dwelling has been transported to the Terme Museum in Rome.

The possibility of reconstructing the boudoir where she may have received Caesar among modern Egyptian gardens on the banks of the Tiber is under consideration. In any case, the temple of the Goddess of Fortune will be rebuilt for the 1942 exposition.

JOSEPH ELLAM DIES

MONTREAL, Dec. 28 (CP).—Joseph Ellam, retired Montreal businessman, died here today in his eighty-ninth year. Survivors include a son, Charles, of Vancouver.

Sweden Prepares Fighting Forces



Fearing Invasion as a Result of the Nazi-Soviet Offensive in Europe, Sweden Is Concentrating Her Fighting Forces and Making Ready to Defend the Country if Needed. Here Are Some of Sweden's Heavy Bombers on Patrol Over the Snow-Blanketed Territory North of the Gulf of Bothnia.

GERMANS NOT ABLE TO SUE

Montreal Judge Suspends Trial Because Plaintiff, An Enemy Alien

MONTREAL, Dec. 28 (CP).—Suspension of proceedings on the grounds one of the plaintiffs was an enemy alien was sought today by a defence motion during hearing of a \$180,000 suit taken against the Canadian Car & Foundry Company, Limited, by J. G. White Engineering Corporation of New York, the New York law firm of Campbell, Harding, Goodwin and Danforth, and Martin Licht.

A motion on behalf of the Canadian Car & Foundry Company, Limited, described in the writ of summons as a Park financier was a German national. As an enemy alien Licht had "no right to prosecute the present action as long as the state of war continues," the defence motion held.

The suit arose over the Canadian company's sale of forty airplanes to a United States buyer. The plaintiffs seek payment of \$180,000 as a commission on the sale.

Mr. Justice Fidler-Surver set January 9 as the date for argument on the motion of the defendant.

TAKES OPTIONS ON CLAIMS ON ISLAND

VANCOUVER, Dec. 28 (CP).—Phoebe Gold Minus of British Columbia, London, has taken an option on the island of Great Central Lake on Vancouver Island at Deane Falls, company officials announced today.

MINES OFF DENMARK

COPENHAGEN, Dec. 28 (AP).—Danish government returning from the North sea said today they had recovered "wrecked" mines of drifting mines just off Denmark's west coast.

MISSION CHURCH BOMBED

CHUNGKING, Dec. 28 (AP).—The Chinese church news agency reported today a Japanese plane had bombed the International China Relief Mission Church and killed a Norwegian missionary.

REFUGEES IN CHILE

VALPARAISO, Chile, Dec. 28 (AP).—Six hundred Jewish refugees from Germany arrived here today aboard the Italian steamship Augustus. They plan to settle in Chile.

SUBBURY, ONT., DECEMBER 28 (CP)

Seven Finnish volunteers are here Sunday night for Helsinki to aid their native land in the war against Russia. Six are veterans of the Finnish War of Independence (1918-1920) years ago.

"GAME" NEWS

With reports coming through that French soldiers are spending their time fishing in the Rhine and German soldiers are playing football, one can expect to have the war news moved to the sports page any day now.

FINE IMPORTED WOOLLENS
TREASURE TROVE
909 GOVERNMENT ST.

JEWELRY, FURNITURE STOLEN FROM HOUSE WHILE OWNER AWAY

Jewelry, furniture, cutlery and other articles were stolen from the home of Mrs. E. Orin, 2610 Chambers Street, some time since last Saturday, it was reported to city police yesterday. Mrs. Orin stated she was absent from her home Saturday until yesterday afternoon.

Detective Henry Jarvis, of the city police, said entry had been gained by forcing a window. The basement door was also found open.

The missing articles included a sewing machine valued at \$200, and endowment worth \$30, a mantle clock, a vacuum cleaner and attachments and a ray lamp.

WAR PRISONERS SEND GREETINGS

British Airmen in Germany Broadcast Messages to Friends at Home

LONDON, Dec. 28 (CP).—Messages from British airmen taken prisoner in Germany after the recent air battle over Heligoland were broadcast tonight from the German radio station at Hamburg.

Among the messages was one from Flying Officer P. A. Wimsley, who "wishes to send his love to his family," the announcer said, adding that the officer was slightly wounded.

Another was from Sergeant T. P. May who is seriously wounded, and asked to send best wishes to his wife. Airman Jones, of Birmingham, also seriously wounded, and Airman H. Rose sent love to their wives.

The German announcer said all the prisoners were either in hospitals or prison camps.

Some Stolen Ammunition Is Recovered

DUBLIN, Dec. 28 (CP).—Recovery of several boxes of stolen ammunition was reported tonight after the Government of Eire had offered a reward of £1,000 (about \$4,000) for clues leading to the lost taken Christmas Eve by members of the outlawed Irish Republican Army from the Phoenix Park army arsenal.

Approximately three tons of cartridges were understood to have been found in Meath and Louth counties. How much still was unrecovered of the 1,000,000 rounds stolen was not disclosed.

VANCOUVER PIONEER IS CALLED TO REST

VANCOUVER, Dec. 28 (CP).—James Stuart, pioneer, purchasing agent for the city of Vancouver from 1905 until 1936, died yesterday at his home. Born in Ontario he came to Vancouver shortly after the 1880s.

Surviving are his widow, one son, A. L. Stuart of Redstone, B.C., and two daughters, Mrs. A. W. Finbow of Brampton, Ont., and Agnes Stuart at home.

SEIZE MORE PAPERS

MONTREAL, Dec. 28 (CP).—For the second time in two weeks, Provincial Police, acting upon instructions of Commissioner P. A. Poirer, seized 1,000 copies of The Midwest Clarion, Communist publication, upon arrival here Wednesday.

OTTAWA, Dec. 28 (CP).—The Canadian Legion War Services Association today said that full privileges of the British Legion clubhouse throughout the United Kingdom have been accorded to all members of Canada's naval, land and air forces abroad.

PAYS TRIBUTE TO OVERSEAS PEOPLE

Commander of New Zealand's Fighting Force Praises Spirit Of British and French

WELLINGTON, New Zealand, Dec. 28 (CP-Reuters).—Major-General Bernard Freyberg, commander of the New Zealand Special Overseas Force, paid tribute today to the spirit of the British and French peoples.

General Freyberg, who won the Victoria Cross with the New Zealanders in the first Great War, spoke at a reception given him by government representatives, civil leaders and ex-servicemen on his arrival from England to assume his command.

General Freyberg also said he believed Germany was too frightened to resort to indiscriminate bombing against the Allies, because of the inferiority of her planes and pilots. The Reich is also faced with a serious gasoline shortage, he said.

MUST LEAVE STATES

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 28 (AP).—United States immigration authorities tonight granted Alfred J. Goulding, fifty-three, veteran screen director, ninety days in which to leave the United States voluntarily and take an examination for re-entry under a British or Australian quota.

Labor Department agents arrested Goulding on October 20 on charges of illegal entry. They said that although he had lived here twenty-seven years, barring a three-year visit to England starting in 1935, he returned on a three-month visitor's permit.

HIT-AND-RUN DRIVER IS HEAVILY FINED

PORT ALBERT, B.C., Dec. 28 (CP).—Emilia Maralla, Port Alberni, was fined \$200 and costs when he was convicted in police court of failing to return to the scene of an accident. His operating licence also was suspended.

Pittamper Given Heavy Sentence

NANAIMO, Dec. 28 (CP).—Thomas Hogg of nearby Five Acres, was convicted in police court here today of pilfering for deer and fined \$500 or sixty days in jail.

The magistrate ordered confiscated a gun, pitlamp, a bottle of carbide and the carcass of a deer which British Columbia Police submitted as evidence at Hogg's trial.

MILDER IN EDMONTON

EDMONTON, Dec. 28 (CP).—Weather moderated slightly in Edmonton overnight, as the temperature for the first time in six days failed to drop below zero. It touched zero at midnight. Yesterday the thermometer climbed to 22 above, highest reading in a week.

LARGE SARDINE PACK

AUGUSTA, Me., Dec. 28 (AP).—Maine's largest sardine pack in twenty years, 2,171,667 cases, worth \$11,600,000, was completed today. The 1932 pack exceeded by 1,512,083 cases last year's output.

SUES FOR DAMAGES

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 28 (AP).—Contending he was forced to give up his steamship cabin for a cot during the rush of travelers from Europe before the war, Whitney Golt sued the United States Lines in Federal Court today, asking \$20,000 damages.

WEAK EXCUSE

A man recently charged with stealing over a ton of metal from a munitions factory. His plea that he did it in a moment of weakness was not accepted.

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ROUND ROAST 19c
PRIME RIB ROAST 19c
Loins, lb. 21c
Vaal Steaks, lb. 15c
Shanks, lb. 8c
Breast 2 lbs. 25c

VEAL
Legs, lb. 15c
Rumps, lb. 19c
Loins, lb. 21c
Vaal Steaks, lb. 15c
Shanks, lb. 8c
Breast 2 lbs. 25c

SODA BISCUITS, 1-lb. pkts. 13c
HONEY GRAHAMS, 12-oz. pkts. 13c
ROBIN HOOD OATS, pkt. 12c
MATCHES, large boxes, limit 4 2 for 9c

BUTTER
First Grade Creamery 34c lb. 3 lbs. \$1.00

CHEESE
Canadian Mild, lb. 25c
Canadian Medium, lb. 25c
Canadian Nippy, lb. 32c
Gorgonzola, lb. 48c
Danish Blue, lb. 45c
English Cheddar, lb. 33c

EGGS
Grade A large, doz. 25c
Grade A med., doz. 23c
Grade A pullet, doz. 22c

NABOB
LEMON or ORANGE JUICE 19c
bottle

BACON DEPT.
HAMS
Tenderized, half or whole, 25c
Sliced Side Bacon, lb. 25c
Sliced Back Bacon, 1/2 lb. 19c
PICNICS
Smoked shoulders, 19c

Robin Hood Flour
7-lb. bag 24c
24-lb. bag 75c
49-lb. bag \$1.39
98-lb. bag \$2.69

DELICATESSEN
Meat and Cheese Loaf, 1 lb. 10c
COOKED HAM, 1/2 lb. 22c
LIVER SAUSAGE, 1/2 lb. 13c
MINCEMEAT, 1 lb. 10c

GRANTHAM
Lime Juice 29c
Cordial 29c
LARGE BOTTLE 29c

THREE FRUIT MARMALADE 33c
4-lb. tin

NABOB TOMATOES, 2's, sqt. 3 tins 25c
SANDWICH PASTE
JIFFY MEAT BALLS, 1/2's
JIFFY DINNERS, 1/2's

GOOSEBERRY JAM 39c
4-lb. tin

SHREDDED WHEAT 10c
4-lb. pkt.

FRUIT DEPT.
No. 1 Mixed Nuts, lb. 19c
3 lbs. 55c
LARGE BRAZIL NUTS, per lb. 15c
MANDARIN ORANGES, per box 67c
CRANBERRIES, per box 23c
PINEAPPLE ORANGES, per box 49c
ORANGES, per box 25c
FRESH BRUSSELS SPROUTS, per lb. 5c

HEINZ "57"
TOMATO KETCHUP, large bottle 19c
TOMATO SOUP 3 tins 27c
CUCUMBER PICKLES, jar 25c
MUSTARD, jar 10c

Candy Specials
BRIT JELLY BEANS, per lb. 15c
English Toffee, lb. 23c
Cocunut Caramels, 1/2 lb. 15c
Opera Rolls, 1/2 lb. 15c
CHRISTMAS MIXTURE, per lb. 15c
PEANUT BRITTLE, lb. 15c

TOMATO JUICE 9c
25-oz. tin

LEMON FLAVORING 9c
large bottle

SPECIALS
HOT WATER BOTTLES 39c
Canadian, 1-yr. guarantee
PURE RUSSIAN MINERAL OIL, 16 oz. bottles 29c
BORDEN'S CHOCOLATE MALTED MILK, 16-oz. tin 35c
IRONIZED YEAST, genuine, \$1.25 size 89c
WILLARD'S CHOCOLATES, 5-lb. box 98c
NEW YEAR'S CRACKERS, 24 to clear, per box 49c
HALIBUT LIVER OIL CAPSULES, box of 50 49c
PURE NORWEGIAN COD LIVER OIL, 16-oz. bottle 39c

JERGEN'S LOTION, 50c size 43c
with 25c jar cream
COLGATE'S TOOTH POWDER, 35c size, with 20c size, both 34c
LINEN WRITING TABLETS, 15c each, 2 for 15c
A.S.A. HEADACHE TABLETS, bottle of 100 19c
ELECTRIC LIGHT GLOBES, 25 and 40 watt, each 10c
INK EXERCISE SCHOOL 3 for 5c
BOOKS, Reg. 5c, to clear 35c
VIRGINIA SHORTS PIPE TOBACCO, new price 35c
KENT'S CIGARETTE TOBACCO, new price 50c

SUNRAY COFFEE 29c
lb.

SUNRAY TEA 48c
lb.

COCOA, 1-lb. pkt. 10c
FARROW'S PEAS, pkt.
MUSTARD, 1/2-lb. pkt.
WORCESTER SAUCE, bottle
BAKING SODA, 1-lb. pkt.

OXYDOL Giant Pkt. 59c
OXYDOL RINSE CHIPSO 21c large pkt.
IVORY SOAP 9c large bar
SHORTENING 10c 1-lb. carton
PURE LARD 2 lbs. 19c
LUX TOILET SOAP 5c bar
SUNLIGHT SOAP 2 for 11c
LIFEBUOY SOAP 2 for 13c

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EARTHQUAKES

Since the days of the destruction of Herculaneum and Pompeii in the first earthquake that seems to have attracted the attention of the then known world, there have been many hundreds of these happenings, and nowhere is immune. They affect all continents, and may visit any area of land or sea. The parts of the earth particularly subject to earthquakes are widely extended and numerous, and the records of such happenings during the past nineteen centuries are growing to very formidable figures. The latest on a large scale, that in Anatolia, draws attention to a region that is peculiarly susceptible to earth shaking movements.

It is recorded of the Turco-Hellenic Peninsula and Syria that of recorded earthquakes there were 373 prior to the nineteenth century, and there were 197 during the first half of that century, and as many more during the almost hundred years that have since elapsed. In 337 A.D. there were 150 cities damaged in Asia Minor, Pontus and Macedonia. In 742, 500 towns were destroyed in Syria, Palestine and adjacent parts, and in 936 Constantinople was overturned and all Greece shaken. Adrianople was overwhelmed in 1552, and in Syria a large area was affected, and Balbec destroyed. There was a destructive earthquake in Smyrna in 1778, and in 1794 three towns were ruined in Turkey and 10,000 persons died. In 1840, in the region of Mount Ararat, 3,137 houses were overturned, and in 1853 Broussa was nearly destroyed. In 1859, 1,000 persons perished at Erzeroum, and there have been many earthquakes in the Turco-Hellenic area since, with heavy loss of life.

It was estimated, at one time, that there are some sixty earthquakes a year in areas subject to these convulsions of nature, and that one in every eight months is on a large and important scale. The latest in Anatolia seems to be in this category, and the extent of the damage it has wrought is not yet known. Some of the greatest of earthquakes recorded took place during the eighteenth century. There was one in China, in 1731, when 100,000 persons perished in Peking. In 1746 Lima and Callao were demolished, and 18,000 persons buried in the ruins. Perhaps the greatest of all was that which practically destroyed Lisbon, on November 1, 1755. In eight minutes most of the houses and upwards of 50,000 inhabitants were swallowed up, and whole streets buried. The cities of Coimbra, Oporto and Braga suffered heavily, and St. Ubes was overturned. This earthquake extended to Spain, where a large part of Malaga was laid in ruins. It was also felt in Morocco, where more than one-half of Fez was destroyed, and 12,000 Arabs perished. Half the island of Madeira was laid waste. This earthquake covered a distance of 5,000 miles, and was felt in Scotland. Yet another great earthquake was that of February 4 to 20, 1797, when the whole country between Santa Fe and Panama was laid waste, including Cusco and Quito, and 40,000 people were buried in one second.

Nature has a way of giving warning of an earthquake. If it could only be interpreted. Such a happening is usually preceded by a general stillness in the air and an unnatural agitation of the waters of the ocean or lakes. The shock, if it is a major one, comes on with a deep rumbling noise, or with a tremendous explosion resembling a discharge of artillery or the bursting of a thunder cloud. Sometimes the ground is heaved perpendicularly upwards; sometimes it is rolled from side to side. The actual single shock may not last more than a minute, but shocks follow one another, sometimes for a considerable length of time. It is the chasms that the shocks cause in the earth that lead to damage and loss of life where cities are involved. There have been instances where these chasms emit smoke and flames, and, on occasion, stones and torrents of water. There is no more terrifying experience in nature than a major earthquake. Even the strongest structures cannot resist such shocks as have taken such a heavy toll of life through the ages.

A JAUNDICED REPORT

Mr. Mackenzie King must have found out by now that it is unwise to give interviews to certain types of reporters. Of course, the Prime Minister said little or nothing that is contained in the article on "Canada at War," appearing in a late issue of Life, an American publication, but the article is accompanied by a photograph of the Prime Minister, taken by Life's reporter in the library of Laurier House. It is accompanied by this explanation: "The picture was taken in the library of Laurier House, Mr. King's home in Ottawa. The caption prepared for Life's photographer by Mr. King himself reads: 'The Prime Minister had in his hand secret despatches dealing with the progress of the war, among the number a lengthy despatch from Mr. Chamberlain, Prime Minister of Great Britain.'"

The article gives the impressions of a reporter after a visit to Canada, a visit that may have been confined to Ottawa. It speaks of Canadians "being afraid to talk too much," and says, "democracy, including free speech, went out of the window as soon as Canada declared war." It goes on to say that "Canadians in general—largely because of the behavior of British remittance men in Canada—are not overly fond of the British people." Yet another viewpoint expressed is that, "Though their Governor-General has no more real power than the King has in Britain, the mere idea of having a vice-monarch sent out from London, rubs many of them the wrong way." In commenting on the foregoing, The Journal of Ottawa says: "It was characteristically courteous of Mr. King to give so much time to a visiting journalist, to let himself be photographed

in his own library, and to take the trouble to write a caption for the reporter's picture. But perhaps when Mr. King sees Life's article, with its stupidities and bad manners, he may decide that he would have been better engaged giving some of his valuable time to the reporters of Canadian newspapers. Thus far these have had little of the good fortune so generously accorded the reporter of Life."

POLITICAL FAVORITISM

Mr. Mackenzie King has said that there is to be no political favoritism exercised in the letting of contracts connected with this country's war effort. Mr. Norman Rogers, the Minister of National Defence, says instructions have been issued to all District Commands of the three services throughout Canada "that political preference was to have no place in expenditure arising from the mobilization and training of Canadian forces. All qualified firms or persons were to be equally eligible for contracts or employment." Nothing whatever is said about the representatives of the War Purchasing Board, who are to be found in each Province, and who have to pass all contracts in review.

Despite such instructions, there is hardly a doubt that patronage continues. Dr. R. J. Manion, the Conservative leader, has drawn attention to the practice during the War, and has offered to furnish evidence. Many persons living where the headquarters of a Military District are situated can tell of political activities with which they themselves have come into contact. They can bear evidence to the political complexion of firms that are awarded contracts. Despite the pronouncements of Messrs. Mackenzie King and Norman Rogers, there is no doubt that the matter of the continuance of political patronage "in expenditures arising from the mobilization and training of Canadian forces" will be aired during the coming session of Parliament. Favoritism, as The Toronto Globe and Mail says, should not exist, "when it comes to preserving national freedom."

In the Alberta Government's pre-election circular telling of the legislative feats of the Social Credit Administration there is the statement: "The next election is not only a test of numerical strength, but one of intelligence on the part of those who desire a specific result." This is a rather poor advertisement for the cause espoused. Social Crediters went into office on the specific promise of \$25 a month for all. The vast bulk of those who vote for that party had not the vaguest idea of its tenets. They wanted to take the cash and let the credit go. They got neither.

By what authority it is not known, but members of Canada's First Division who have gone overseas are alluded to as "Canada's Active Service Force." That does not differentiate them from their comrades at home who are under arms, and all of whom in the Navy, in the Army and in the Air Force are on active service. The name of Canada's army in the Great War was the "Canadian Expeditionary Force." That is good enough, so good that its traditions should be perpetuated under the same name.

A newspaper asks for figures on the number of aircraft being turned out in Canada and what expansion is in sight. It wants to know what progress has been made in the mechanization of the Dominion's armed forces. It expresses surprise that more Bren guns are not available and seeks information as to anti-tank guns and twenty-five-pounders. That newspaper is evidently in search of political generalizations, for that is about all that could be expected because of Ottawa's conception of what censorship means.

British publications find continuous targets for their wit in the manner in which censorship and the Ministry of Information operate. A cartoon in Humourist depicts a husband perched aimlessly in an armchair before the fire, and his wife says to him: "Sitting there all day never saying a word? You ought to get a job at the Ministry of Information."

The Weather

Metropolitan Office, Victoria, B.C., at 7:00 p.m. December 28, 1939.

SYNOPSIS OF WEATHER CONDITIONS
Pressure continues low off the Pacific Coast and relatively high in the Interior of British Columbia. The weather has been unsettled and mild with showers on the coast, and light snow has fallen in Southern districts inland.

It continues cold in Manitoba and Saskatchewan.

PRECIPITATION AND TEMPERATURES
(Precipitation for twelve hours to 5:00 p.m.; temperatures for twenty-four hours.)

	Precipitation	Min.	Max.
Victoria	0.2	43	50
Nanaimo	0.1	37	46
Vancouver	0.1	39	45
Kamloops	0.1	25	34
Prince George	0.6	16	36
Saturnia Point	0.1	40	52
Prince Rupert	0.1	39	44
Langara	0.1	28	42
Atlin	0.1	16	32
Duncan	0.1	15	35
Seattle	0.1	41	46
Portland	0.1	37	42
San Francisco	0.1	45	60
Spokane	0.1	40	50
Penitron	0.1	30	40
Vernon	0.1	23	31
Kelowna	0.1	27	35
Grand Forks	0.1	24	28
Nelson	0.1	19	28
Kelso	0.1	16	28
Cranbrook	0.1	7	12
Calgary	0.1	5	40
Edmonton	0.1	15	45
St. H. Curran	0.1	0	15
Moose Jaw	0.1	5	20
Prince Albert	0.1	1	6
Winnipeg	0.1	2	16
Weyburn	0.1	1	16
Toronto	0.1	9	25
Bain, John	0.1	4	21
Halifax	0.1	9	43
Below zero.			
Minimum		43	
Maximum		60	
Average		40	
Minimum on the glass		40	

Weather, cloudy, sunshine Dec 28 2 hrs. 20 min.
5:00 P.M. WEATHER REPORTS
Victoria—Barometer, 30.09; wind, S, 3 miles, cloudy.
Vancouver—Barometer, 30.09; wind, E, 3 miles, cloudy.
Kamloops—Barometer, 30.24; wind, SE, 5 miles, cloudy.
Prince George—Barometer, 30.06; wind, S, 2 miles, fair.
Prince Rupert—Barometer, 30.06; wind, SE, 10 miles, fair.
Langara—Barometer, 29.86; wind, SE, 5 miles, fair.
Estevan Point—Barometer, 30.07; wind, SE, 2 miles, fair.
Tellico—Barometer, 30.00; wind, NE, 15 miles, fair.
Portland—Barometer, 30.07; wind, SE, 5 miles, raining.
Seattle—Barometer, 30.09; wind, NE, 2 miles, foggy.

Note and Comment

By SANDHAM GRAVES

So, unnoticed by many, a new day came. The sun, in a great red ball, spread a crimson glow on a platinum sea, as it sailed majestically into the heavens. The dawn wind took the vapors of night and blew them off the coast of the city, unveiling parks, and trees, and homes. Above, the cloud wrack parted, and the blue of infinite space peeped through.

Coasting down along the eastern shore, as day advanced, from their roosting rocks in trees and threes; their feathered keels glinting redly in the early light. Far over the water their plaintive calls spoke, one to another; marking the splash of dabchicks, or the sleek black head of a fishing cormorant. The seagulls, awake the crowd, and the child the milkman's dog with triple caws.

Out on the boulevards, the monstrous shadows of trees began to separate and draw in, each towards its own bole, as day advanced. The shadows of the silver birch cut a delicate tracery in black on the stone grey pavement; while overhead its leafless twigs made pencil etchings against a blue-vault sky. Even in December the Street of the Silver Birch has powerful magic.

Tarrying overlong, the banded robins raided the Hawthorn trees, sending a rein of purple plunder down upon the sidewalk, wasting a storehouse of food that should have been kept for snowbound days. If snow should come, Sparrows chirped and chattered busily among the dried-out vines of house creepers, with one eye cocked on the opening back doors. Insistent beggars are the sparrows.

Top-lit now, the clouds rolled seaward in a graceful sweep, cutting the sky into long galleries, down which the eye might roam through all the colors of the rainbow. The sun looked on its dazzled, golden mantle, setting window panes alight with minor sunbursts, row on measured row. The evergreens stood out as if they had been waiting, freshly covered, for this very day.

Out in the parks, the ducks retrieved their heads from under downy covers, and launched themselves on ponds, where illiputian ripples chuckled merrily against the grassed shore. A cock pheasant cocked saucily in the underbrush, apprised that this was day, and therefore feeding time. The quail with liquid, silver fluting, ran in single file across the close-cropped grass.

Somewhere far off a whistle blew, and shocked the early morning world of silence. Street cars left their horns, and rattled fast across their points in spreading journeys. Delivery wagons puffed and chuffed their devious ways through lanes and alleys. Pedestrians appeared, and drove the startled robins from the trees. Somehow, strangely, the magic of the day was broken; and there was—just another day.

RENDERS JUDGMENT IN COURT ACTION

In a Supreme Court judgment handed down yesterday by Mr. Justice H. B. Robertson, the sum of \$350 and costs was allowed William Geoffrey Roy against Reginald Corti Woodcock.

Plaintiff claimed \$20,000 for fraudulent misrepresentation, \$1,000 for breach of contract and \$10,000 for assault in connection with various enterprises he alleged he was to have entered into with the defendant.

In a counterclaim presented against Mr. Roy by the defendant, His Lordship allowed the sum of \$471.25 and costs for money advanced and the plaintiff by the defendant.

Patrick J. Sinnott appeared for Mr. Roy, and Robert D. Harvey for the defendant, Mr. Woodcock.

PUTTING UP WITH IT
"So that's the baby," said Uncle John, "and the proud father who says 'I hope you'll bring him up to be a conscientious, upright young man.' The father shook his head. 'I'm afraid that'll be rather difficult,' he replied. 'P-haw!' snapped Uncle John, 'as the twig is bent the tree is inclined.' 'Yes, but this twig is bent on being a girl, and we are inclined to let it go at that.'"

Tides at Victoria

Time of tide, Pacific Standard Time, Victoria, B.C., for the month of December, 1939.

Date	High	Low	High	Low
1	2:27	8:12	7:15	3:38
2	3:12	7:27	8:12	3:18
3	3:58	6:42	9:00	2:58
4	4:45	5:57	9:48	2:38
5	5:32	5:12	10:36	2:18
6	6:19	4:27	11:24	1:58
7	7:06	3:42	12:12	1:38
8	7:53	2:57	1:00	1:18
9	8:40	2:12	1:48	9:58
10	9:27	1:27	2:36	8:38
11	10:14	4:42	3:24	7:18
12	11:01	3:57	4:12	5:58
13	11:48	3:12	5:00	4:38
14	12:35	2:27	5:48	3:18
15	1:22	1:42	6:36	1:58
16	2:09	9:57	7:24	7:38
17	2:56	9:12	8:12	6:18
18	3:43	8:27	9:00	4:58
19	4:30	7:42	9:48	3:38
20	5:17	6:57	10:36	2:18
21	6:04	6:12	11:24	9:58
22	6:51	5:27	12:12	8:38
23	7:38	4:42	1:00	7:18
24	8:25	3:57	1:48	5:58
25	9:12	3:12	2:36	4:38
26	10:00	2:27	3:24	3:18
27	10:47	1:42	4:12	1:58
28	11:34	9:57	5:00	7:38
29	12:21	9:12	5:48	6:18
30	1:08	8:27	6:36	4:58

The following is a list of the tides at Victoria for the month of December, 1939. The times are given in Pacific Standard Time. The heights are given in feet above low water. The times are given in Pacific Standard Time. The heights are given in feet above low water. The times are given in Pacific Standard Time. The heights are given in feet above low water.

SUBSTITUTION IS AUTHORIZED

New Westminster to Replace Old Loan Issue by New Bonds for \$30,000

By order in council yesterday the Provincial Government gave leave to New Westminster to issue \$30,000 of new debentures and substitute these for \$30,000 of fire-relief debentures maturing on December 27 last, after notice to the security holders. Permission was granted under the New Westminster Relief Act, 1889, as amended at the last session.

The corporation set out, by petition, that it had already notified debenture holders by means of publication in The Toronto Daily Star and The British Columbia Gazette. The new debentures will bear 5 per cent interest, run for a twenty-year term, and are payable in Canadian funds at branches of the Bank of Montreal throughout Canada.

The original debt was incurred towards the close of the nineteenth century by means of local improvement by-laws. Under section 5 of the amended statute, the new debentures will be substituted for the old as from December 27 last. Fresh sinking funds are to be set up for their retirement in 1959.

Rotarians Stage Novel Programme

Past-presidents of the Victoria Rotary Club, over the past ten-year period, provided the programme at the 133rd club luncheon in the Empress Hotel, yesterday. Tom Myers was chairman of the novelty entertainment.

Those introduced in pairs, with each former president making a New Year's resolution for his partner, were Herbert Anson, M.P.P., James H. Beatty, Frank I. Doherty, James H. Fletcher, Charles French, T. J. Goodlake, G. Hamilton French, George McGregor, R. W. Mayhew, M.P., Herbert Pendray, Percy Scourah and Walter Luney, present incumbent.

Two new members, John A. Giddens and F. E. Wilson, were introduced and welcomed by Arthur Mallett and Mr. Halman, respectively.

NONAGENARIAN DIES FOLLOWING ACCIDENT

VANCOUVER, Dec. 28 (CP).—A coroner's jury today returned a verdict of accidental death after an inquiry into the death of ninety-year-old Mrs. Nina Hale, fatally injured when struck by an automobile November 29.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET

Time of sunrise and sunset (Pacific Standard Time), Victoria, B.C., for the month of December, 1939.

Date	Sunrise	Sunset	Date	Sunrise	Sunset
1	7:43	16:21	17	8:00	16:01
2	7:45	16:20	18	8:01	16:00
3	7:46	16:19	19	8:01	16:00
4	7:47	16:18	20	8:02	16:00
5	7:48	16:17	21	8:02	16:00
6	7:49	16:16	22	8:03	16:00
7	7:50	16:15	23	8:03	16:00
8	7:51	16:14	24	8:04	16:00
9	7:52	16:13	25	8:04	16:00
10	7:53	16:12	26	8:05	16:00
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The Meteorological Observatory, Gonzales Heights, Victoria, B.C.

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East dealt.
Both sides vulnerable.
Match-point duplicate.

NORTH
♠ 10 9 3
♥ 6 5 2
♦ 10 4 3
♣ K Q 9 4

WEST
♠ 5 2
♥ 10 9 7
♦ Q J 8 7 5
♣ 10 3 2

EAST
♠ K Q 8
♥ K 6
♦ K 6
♣ A J 7 6 5

SOUTH
♠ A K Q J 6 4
♥ A 4 3
♦ A 9 2
♣ 8

The bidding:
East South West North
1 ♠ 2 ♠ Pass Pass
3 ♠ 3 ♠ Pass 4 ♠
Double Pass Pass Pass

I was blessed with the South cards. Against me, in the East and West positions, were two nationally known masters. Some readers may doubt East's right to be included in this three club reopening bid as evidence to the contrary, but this view would be fallacious. At match-point duplicate East was afraid to let me play a two spade contract, he decided not unreasonably that if we didn't think we could make a game there was no reason for him to think so, and he might well be able to fulfil a club contract of his own, or drive me beyond my depth. His merely a penalty double was, of course, merely a "face-saving" gesture.

The Observation Car

By THE EDITORIAL STAFF

Glancing Over Sport

Christmas presents arrived a day late for Managers Bob McInnes and Doc Poyritz, of the Victoria Rugby and football teams, respectively, but they were certainly appreciated by both. The rugger beat out Vancouver in a brilliant finish in the McKeechie Cup series, and the soccer team, trimmed former Canadian champions, North Shore, by four clear goals. Heard from George Coleman, former Victoria baseball star, who used to patrol the outfield and do some catching behind the plate for the Eagles ball club of many seasons ago. George played with the feathered tribe when they had the old stadium where the Crystal Garden now stands. He is working for The Tacoma Times and is still playing ball. He batted .441 last season. This time of the year he plays goal for a hockey team in Tacoma. George sends the best to his old manager, Alex Potts, and to all the lads who played ball with him and against him.

The New Year's Day soccer match between the Wests and Equimait, tied for top place in the senior division, should draw one of the largest crowds of the campaign at the Athletic Park. Patrick's Rangers are on the spot this evening as they face the old "13th" jinx when they stack up against Boston Bruins. The Manhattan lads will be out to continue their unbeaten record, which is an even dozen right now.

Buddy Ward, national golf champion, shot a fine sixty-nine the other day, tuning up for the start of the California Gold Trail.—J.D.

Puzzled Pooch

Our tobaccoist friend's spaniel believes in completing his education. Not long ago the smoke shop man purchased a special crossword puzzle dictionary for his better half. Unfortunately the volume was left within reach of the family pooch, who lost no time in chewing and swallowing the contents. "No, sir, I would not cash a cheque for my own bro." Pulling out a roll of bills to pay the barber, the customer growled: "Of course you know your own family better than I do. Apparently Italy is an interested spectator on Soviet aggression from a Balkan seat."

Broad Street Bertie is a bit lousy about many matters. He asked if a McIntosh Red was a Scottie's Communist. Judging by the Christmas demand for fur coats, many husbands will find it hard winter.—G.B.

Here's to the Turkey!

We think someone should erect a shrine to spruced turkey. There's no bird ever spruced since that takes such a beating during the Yule season as the "gobbler." And when it comes to versatility—why, there's plain ordinary every day roast turkey with cranberry sauce, then there is delicious, sliced, cold turkey with pickles, then there are mustard pickles with delicious, sliced, cold turkey, next comes turkey hash with the dressing, and just about everything else thrown in, then.

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National Railways Capable of Meeting Conditions of War

President Hungerford, in Year-End Review, Says Government-Owned System Will Have to Provide Major Part of Transportation

THE ordinary activities of the railway in the year 1939 have been overshadowed by the outbreak of war with Germany. Already the Canadian National Railways has been called upon to provide a considerable measure of transportation in connection with Canada's war effort and undoubtedly requirements for such transportation will be increased. The policy which has been pursued in the past of maintaining the property to a high standard, despite the period of business depression, has been shown to be justified and the country may rest assured that the Canadian National Railways is capable of meeting the extraordinary tasks which it will likely face as result of the war.

Traffic results for the year 1939 northern-type locomotives. The programme of air conditioning passenger equipment was continued and cars owned by the Canadian National system are now equipped. In addition, all Pullman cars operating on the system under contract are air-conditioned.

Satisfactory progress has been made on the Montreal terminal development, work on which was resumed late in 1938.

AIR SERVICES

The Trans-Canada Air Lines service, inaugurated in 1937, has been developed rapidly. The mail service between Vancouver and Winnipeg was extended to Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal on an overnight basis at the beginning of March, 1939, and on April 1 passenger service was begun between these points. On July 18, 1939, an additional service was established between Montreal and Toronto, with the further extension of mail and express service to Moncton on November 1, the air line became Trans-Canada in fact as well as in name.

OPERATING FIGURES

While the audited revenue and operating expense figures are not yet available for the month of December, conservatively estimated results for that month, added to the known figures for the first eleven months of the year, indicate the following for the year 1939, actual results for 1938 are also shown for the purpose of comparison:

	Year 1939	Year 1938
Operating Revenue	\$120,000,000	\$118,241,723
Operating Expenses	\$120,000,000	\$124,173,312
Net Revenue	\$120,000,000	\$16,068,410
Operating Ratio	99.17%	94.67%

During the year the normal process of modernizing equipment was carried on in all fields. Upon the outbreak of war the equipment situation was specially reviewed and special measures were taken for purchase of additional equipment to meet anticipated war requirements. Orders during the year consisted of 4,765 steel box cars, 500 flat cars, 100 refrigerator cars, twenty-five cabooses, ten baggage cars, five mail and express cars and twenty-five

in accordance with the provisions of the co-operative agreement with regard to the railway hotel situation in Vancouver, the Vancouver Hotel Company, jointly owned by the Canadian National and Canadian Pacific Railways, leased the new hotel constructed by the Canadian National Railways and commenced operation in May of this year.

THE ROYAL VISIT

The Canadian people this year enjoyed the thrill of a visit by Their Majesties the King and Queen and the Canadian National Railways was happy to play its part in the provision of appropriate equipment for the royal train and in the movement of the train over the lines of the system.

The outlook for 1940 is largely influenced by war conditions. The traffic increases which have so far taken place may be expected to continue. This is likely to be true not only as regards the traffic particularly related to the war, but also as regards the industrial activity of the country. Railway operating revenues for 1940 are therefore likely to be substantially increased over the earnings of 1939, with consequent improvement in financial results.

Was Teacher in St. Ann's Order

The death occurred yesterday morning, at St. Joseph's Hospital, of Sister Mary Florita, a teacher of the Order of St. Ann in various schools of the province for the past twelve years. She had been ill in hospital here since last August.

Daughter of Mrs. O'Leary, Wellington Street, and of the late Harry J. O'Leary, inspector of detectives in the Victoria Police Force for many years, she attended St. Ann's Academy, Victoria, and in 1927 became a member of its teaching staff after joining the Order of St. Ann. She was an adept in many subjects, at various times teaching subjects in the business course, the high school course, domestic science, needlework and piano, and among the schools of the order where she taught were those in Port Angeles, New Westminster, Kamloops and Vancouver. She is survived by her mother and a brother, Clement, both living here.

PIONEER NANAIMO RESIDENT PASSES

John May Was Known Affectionately as "The Grand Old Man" Of The District

NANAIMO, Dec. 28.—John May, eighty-five, "grand old man" of this district, a native of Oshawa, Ont., and a resident of Nanaimo for fifty years, died at his Newcastle Towne home today. In the early days of Nanaimo he was prominent in musical circles. He was choir-master of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church when the cornerstone was laid for the brick structure more than forty years ago. Also he was leader of an orchestra which played in the old Opera House here.

In ill health for several years, he later lived a reclusive life. His birthday in July was remembered each year by numerous old-timers who paid him calls or sent congratulatory messages.

Mr. May is survived by four daughters, Mrs. J. E. McFarland, Hudson Hope, B.C.; Mrs. W. E. Lyle, Portland, Ore.; Miss Lily Ann May, Nanaimo; and Mrs. O. G. Ingham, Vancouver, and by two sons, George F. May, Nanaimo, and W. F. May, Fernie, B.C.

Rev. R. T. Reed will conduct funeral services for Mr. May on Saturday afternoon at the Jenkins Chapel. Interment will be in Nanaimo Cemetery.

Obituary

DONALDSON—Funeral services for Marion Donaldson will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the S. J. Curry & Son Funeral Home. Rev. Hugh McLeod will officiate and interment will take place in the family plot at Royal Oak Burial Park.

CULLIN—The remains of William Henry Cullin are resting at the family residence, 144 Wellington Avenue, and will be conveyed to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church tomorrow afternoon for funeral services at 2:30 o'clock, followed by interment in the family plot in Ross Bay. Services will be under the auspices of Victoria Lodge No. 1, I.O.O.F., and Rev. J. L. W. McLeod will officiate. The Thomson Funeral Home have charge of the arrangements.

ROSE—There passed away at an early hour yesterday morning at the family residence, 981 Cloverdale Avenue, William Rose, at the age of sixty-seven years. Mr. Rose was born at Ribby, Lincolnshire, England, and moved to this city eighteen years ago from Kingston, Ont. He is survived by his wife, Mary, and one daughter, Elsie, at the family residence, Cloverdale Avenue; also one son, Francis, residing on Heath Drive. Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the S. J. Curry & Son Funeral Home. Rev. Canon Connel will officiate, after which cremation will take place at the Royal Oak Crematorium. It is requested that no flowers be sent.

NORRIS—There passed away yesterday at St. Joseph's Hospital, William Norris, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. William George Norris, of 329 Quadra Street. The funeral services will be held in Haywards B.C. Funeral Chapel on Saturday at 2 o'clock, followed by cremation at the Royal Oak Crematorium. It is requested that no flowers be sent.

BAYLISS—Funeral services for Thomas Bayliss took place yesterday afternoon in Sands Mortuary. Lid Rev. Thomas Menzies conducted the services, during which Mrs. E. M. Morton rendered the solo. Some-time "We'll Understand" and the congregational hymns sung were "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" and "My Faith Looks Up to Thee." Beautiful floral offerings surrounded the casket. The following acted as pallbearers: H. Darley H. Nove, W. P. Sedgman, G. W. Edwards and J. Bridgwood. Interment took place in Royal Oak Burial Park.

HOWE—Funeral services for Thomas Shapley Howe were held yesterday afternoon in McCall Bros. Funeral Home. Rev. J. L. W. McLeod officiated and cremation took place in the Royal Oak Crematorium.

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

OTTAWA, Dec. 28 (CP)—The Foreign Exchange Control Board today announced exchange rates were unchanged.

American Funds: Ten per cent premium buying; 11 per cent premium selling.

Sterling: \$443 buying; \$447 selling.

TROOPS HAVE OWN PAPERS

Many Publications Offered By Active Service Force Units in Canada

OTTAWA, Dec. 28 (CP)—Dozens of new publications, ranging from roughly mimeographed sheets to printed newspapers, are springing to life in units of the Canadian Active Service Forces across Canada.

Many units now have their own papers, published weekly, fortnightly or monthly, filled with news of the doings in the unit, wit, cartoons and announcements. Others are in process of establishing them, and latent talent for writing and drawing among men in khaki is getting a chance of expression.

MOVE ENCOURAGED

Regimental newspapers are encouraged by military authorities as a means of promoting a healthy spirit among the troops. Some of the papers are distributed free, some at a small charge. Most carry a little advertising and all are published at no cost to the public.

Typical of publications springing up are the following:

"The Rifleman," of the British Columbia regiment (Duke of Connaught's Own Rifles) at Vancouver, a two-page, mimeographed weekly bulletin.

"O Pip," of the 77th Field Battery, Royal Canadian Artillery, at Moose Jaw, running to eight pages of mimeographed news, comment and pictures.

"The Perth Regiment News," at Stratford, Ont., also is mimeographed.

TRANSPORT MONTHLY

"The Grankshaft," of the 1st Mechanical Transport Vehicle Reception Depot, Royal Canadian Army Service Corps, at Toronto, printed on smooth paper and distributed monthly.

"On the Way," of the 20th and 108th Field Batteries, Royal Canadian Artillery, at Lethbridge, Alta., a six-page printed paper, published twice a month.

"The Feed Line," of the Supply and Patrol Company, Royal Canadian Army Service Corps, Hamilton, Ont., a small-size mimeographed sheet, liberally supplied with cartoons.

"The New Brazier," of the 1st Battalion, the Canadian Scottish Regiment, at Otter Point, B.C., a revival of a paper of the same name published in France by the 16th Battalion, C.E.F., which the Scottish unit perpetuates.

SWISS ARMY TO BE ENLARGED

Unit of 80,000 to 100,000 Men to Strengthen Border Defences

BERNE, Dec. 28 (AP)—General Henri Guisan ordered today the formation of a new Swiss army corps to strengthen the country's defences before the border foothills are cleared of snow in the Spring. The fourth unit will consist of between 80,000 and 100,000 men.

It will be under the command of the army chief of staff, Col. Josef Labhart.

Labhart, fifty-nine, is credited as the author of the army reorganization plan which increased the forces from a loose militia of 300,000 to a highly-organized unit of more than a half-million. Military sources said the formation of a new corps would not require an immediate call for new reserves.

Thousands of persons previously excused from military service are being re-examined, it was reported, with about 60 per cent declared fit for call if necessary.

Even blind persons were being placed on reserve lists for use in anti-aircraft units to listen for planes overhead.

The reorganization extends the eligibility for service from forty-eight to sixty years.

WAR CLAIMS FIVE SHIPS

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carried a fifteen-man crew. Also believed lost, with her crew of thirteen, was the British vessel Moorfoot, 875 tons overdue for several days.

The Admiralty announced three additional sailors of the cruiser Exeter, damaged in the fight with the Admiral Graf Spee in the South Atlantic, died of wounds, and one was missing, believed drowned. The navy now has lost seventy-five men, sixty-four from the Exeter, as a result of the Graf Spee battle.

EARLY COMPLETION OF PLANS EXPECTED

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therefore, do not anticipate any difficulty in arriving at an agreement, under which drilling may commence in May. In any event, British Columbia's own geologist, Dr. M. Y. Williams, of the University of British Columbia, will be right on the job for us, and will superintend operations. Premier Pattullo said.

Pointing to a map of the Peace River district, the Premier marked

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GINGER ALE FELIX, dozen bottles \$1.00

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OATS Robin Hood, wholesome and nutritious. Pkg. Each 12¢

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DOG FOOD Pard Brand, for dogs or cats, No. 1 tin 3 for 25¢

DOG BISCUITS Ormond's, a fine quality dog food 3 lbs. 25¢

KLEENEX Tissues, soft and absorbent. Pkg. Each 15¢

WESTMINSTER Bathroom Tissue, large rolls 2 for 9¢

PORK AND BEANS SUNDOWN, 16-oz. tin 3 for 20¢

CORN AYLMEYER, Golden Bantam or choice white, 17-oz. tin 3 for 25¢

CLAMS SAANICH, whole or minced, No. 12 tin each 14¢

SALMON A LA KING CLOVER LEAF, 15 1/2-oz. tin each 23¢

CORNED BEEF Holm Brand, 2-lb. tin Each 12¢

SAUSAGE Hedlund's, No. 1 tin Each 20¢

PEACHES Lann Valley, No. 2 small tins 2 for 25¢

PEAS Peasey Gold, stew B, No. 2 tall tins 3 for 25¢

MOCK CHICKEN Hedlund's, No. 1 tin Each 13¢

PEARS Berland, 11-oz. tins Each 10¢

SOUP Campbell's Tomato, 2 tins 15¢

FRUIT COCKTAIL Libby's, No. 1 tin Each 19¢

SALMON Horcher, Fancy, No. 15 tins Each 19¢

BLEACH Dinamite, per bottle 5¢

CHIPSO For a whiter wash, later use Each 20¢

LAUNDRY SOAP P. & G. or Pearl White, bars Each 4¢

BREAD
White or brown, 16-oz. unwrapped loaves Each 5¢

CHOCOLATES Wilbur's, 5-lb. Christmas box, Each 49¢

LILY CREAMS 1-lb. Cellophane boxes Each 15¢

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TURKEYS 23¢
GRADE A LB.

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PORK SHOULDERS lb. 15¢ SMALL ROASTS lb. 18¢ LEGS, whole or half lb. 20¢ LOIN ROASTS lb. 22¢

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out a large triangular-shaped wedge larger than the Turner Valley, in which, he said, the Province had been advised that favorable oil structures were strongly indicated. There were three routes by which any oil found in the field could be brought to market: one by way of Prince Rupert, another to tidewater half way down the coast, and the third via Vancouver.

TO BUILD ROAD
As soon as a drilling programme had been agreed upon, the Province would push road construction from Pine River to Compton Creek with all dispatch, and for that purpose would take in caterpillar tractors and other equipment over the job at once, the Premier said. Pending the submission of the oil firm's proposals, the nature of the contract suggested was not detailed.

After the Province has completed arrangements for a drilling programme, Premier Pattullo will turn eastward for a resumption of Federal-Provincial negotiations at Ottawa.

COMMITTED FOR TRIAL
NANAIMO, Dec. 28.—J. B. Templeton, Victoria charged with passing worthless cheques of \$95 each on two Parkview merchants, was today committed for trial by Superior Judge C. H. Beaver-Potts here. Templeton had previously been committed for trial at Victoria and Durban on worthless cheque charges, and he is to be taken to other island points to face similar charges.

NO GUN SALUTES
OTTAWA, Dec. 28 (CP)—An order has been sent to all saluting points in Canada cancelling, for the duration of the war, all cannon salutes, it was made known today.

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Blue English Hilltop Cheese, lb.	35c	Cooked Ham, lb.	50c
Pinkie Blue Cheese, lb.	35c	Roasted Turkey, up from \$1.75	1.15
Granular (Gargantuan) Cheese, lb.	35c	Porter Crackers, 12 in. x 12 in.	HALF PRICE
Delish Edam Cheese, lb.	35c	Jap Oranges, box	69c
Gruyere Cheese, lb.	35c	Sweet California Oranges, box	25c
Reception Bacon, lb.	33c	Extra Apples, Delicious and Yellow Newtown, dozen	25c
College Cheese, lb.	27c	Table Raisins, 25c and 50c	25c
Roiled Veal Legs, lb.	27c	Later Assortment of Candies	25c
Roiled Veal Shoulders, lb.	18c	Home Made and British	15c
Roiled Rib Roasts, lb.	18c and 23c	Pot Roasts, lb.	15c and 18c
Roiled Tip Roasts, lb.	22c and 25c	Boiling Beef, lb.	10c
Roiled Lamb, lb.	25c	Pork Sausage Meat, lb.	25c
Roasted Chicken, lb.	25c	Boiled Sausage Meat, lb.	25c
Roasted Local Turkey, lb.	35c	Cambridge Sausage, lb.	15c
15 to 25 lbs. per lb.	29c	Small Pork Sausage, lb.	25c
Roiled Grade "A" Alberta, lb.	27c	New York Hotlinks Sausage, lb.	25c
Golden Area Australia, lb.	25c	Club Steaks, lb.	25c
Peaches, 3 lbs.	25c	Veal Steaks, lb.	25c
R.C. Crab Meat, lb.	25c	English Chops, lb.	25c
Shirley's Marmalade, lb.	19c	Enlight Chocolate Biscuits, lb.	25c
Shirley's Assorted Jellies, lb.	25c	C. & B. Sausage, lb.	15c
Oxalene, Introductory tin, regular tin 10c	25c	Drumstick Ginger Ale, doz.	\$1.50
Glacier Pineapple Soap, 4 for \$2.90	25c	Wine, 12 in. x 12 in.	15c
Flash Roasted Coffee, lb.	35c	C. & B. Nut and Date Loaf, lb.	15c

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A man said he feared he would be of no use in the world because he had only one talent.
"Oh, don't let that discourage you," said his pastor. "What is your talent?"
"The talent of criticism," was the answer.
"Well," replied the pastor, "I advise you to do with it what the man of one talent in the parable did with his."

TOO MUCH
A paperhanger had an employment exchange official that his last employer expected him to paper three rooms in one day. And that, of course, was more than he could stick.

CHRISTIANITY DOMINATES

R. B. Bennett Makes Stirring Speech at Montreal—Praises Chamberlain

MONTREAL, Dec. 28 (CP).—Non-Christian civilizations of the past, no matter how great their growth, always have vanished, Rt. Hon. R. B. Bennett, former Canadian Prime Minister, told a joint meeting of the Royal Empire Society and the Canadian Club here today.

"History shows non-Christian powers disappeared," said Mr. Bennett. "As a result Christian concepts have dominated world civilization."

"It is well to think of that now—that the principles for which Christian civilization has stood have dominated the world, though in the world there have been millions more non-Christians than Christians."

"Today you are not fighting for another people, for another land, but for maintenance of Christian civilization," he said.

FIGHT FOR BULWARK
Canadians are fighting for an Empire which has been the "bulwark" of Christianity.

Prime Minister Chamberlain—"a great disciple of peace"—had decided on war against Germany only as a last resort.

"My observation has been that the man who labors strenuously for a cause and finds himself deceived and defrauded by the person with whom he bargains becomes a very difficult person to deal with," he said.

"Today I say that there is no man living more determined to see an end to this thing than Mr. Chamberlain. To struggle as he did for peace is the best assurance that you can possibly have that he will not accept any peace that does not insure certainty with respect to the ends and aims for which he struggled."

Supporting the British Government, England's population submitted to taxation and civil regulations which Canadians might find hardly believable, said Mr. Bennett. And the British drew encouragement from Canada's response in the emergency.

GERMAN CASTLE FOR PRISONERS

Captured Pilot Writes Home—Wild Boars Guard Moat Against Escape

DURBAN, South Africa, Dec. 28 (CP).—Derek Nichols, South African pilot in the Royal Air Force, is a prisoner in a 700-year-old German castle, where he would appreciate some soap and "could do well with some food," he told his parents in a letter.

His plane was brought down in the Kiel raid September 4. Nichols wrote his father, Senator G. Heston Nichols, that the castle, high on a hill, is surrounded by a thirty-foot-deep moat. It contains no water, "but ranging along the bottom are three wild boars of very unpleasant appearance."

His companions are seven English officers, eleven French officers and a few French privates who act as orderlies. They have a few books and a pack of cards "and some dice we have carved out of wood." The men spend their time playing or reading, with an hour's exercise in the morning and again in the afternoon.

WAITING FOR THE SIGNAL
A schoolmaster told his pupils that whenever they moved an arm or leg it was a response to a message from the brain. The brain always sends a message down your arm or leg whenever you wish to move the particular member," he explained. Shortly afterwards a boy named Wilkinson around his leg by his apparent intention to the lesson. "Hold out your hand, Wilkinson!" said the master. Wilkinson did not stir. "Why don't you hold out your hand?" cried the master, furiously. "Please, sir, I'm waiting for the signal!"

SOFT PEDAL
A young man, working at an A.R.P. depot, was embarrassed to receive a visit from his mother in an expensive car with a chauffeur.

As a result of a conversation between some of his fellow-workers and the chauffeur, a story spread round the depot that he was a man of considerable wealth, who possessed at home, no fewer than six pianos.

When the rumor reached his ears he denied all stories of his wealth. "It's absolutely untrue," he said. "I've only got four pianos."

The captain of a tramp steamer and his mate went to the bar and ordered two pints of beer.

"Well, here's health, skipper," said the mate.

He picked up his tankard, but before he drank he closed his eyes.

"The skipper looked on in astonishment."

"Here," he said, "why do you close your eyes when you drink?"

"The doctor told me I mustn't look at anything stronger than water," replied the mate.

Metropolis Hotel
Mr. T. L. Gates has purchased Mr. Ben. Popper's interest in the Metropolis Hotel, and in the future it will be under the personal management of Mr. T. L. Gates and his son.

Seize German Ships and Cargoes



Two pictures taken in a Scottish port show, top, Ss. Bianca, left, and Ss. Gloria, German freighters captured by the Royal Navy, and, bottom, four thousand tons of timber for wood pulp stacked in a Scottish shipyard. The Bianca's cargo was comprised of coal, while the Gloria had a cargo of wheat. The wood pulp was taken from the captured ship Hannah Boge.

City and District

Chimney Fire—The Oak Bay fire department attended a chimney fire at 1050 Monterey Avenue a few minutes after 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Concert Tonight—St. Alban's Sunday school will hold its annual Christmas tree tonight at five o'clock. Parents and friends are invited to six o'clock, when Rev. T. R. Lancaster will show moving pictures.

Money Stolen—A thief who entered the home of Thomas Gunn at 708 Pembroke Street by tearing the screen off a party window, ran away with a cash box and removed \$13 in silver from a suitcase by cutting it open, police were informed.

Eight Fined—Eight motorists were each fined \$2.50 in the city police court for infractions of parking regulations. A woman charged with driving in a manner dangerous to the public through Beacon Hill Park was remanded until January 4.

Prison Term—For unlawfully selling beer at 1121 Quadra Street on December 2, Jack Thompson was sentenced to serve six months in prison at hard labor when he appeared on remand before Magistrate Henry C. Hall in the city police court yesterday morning.

New Duplex—Matthew Lamont secured a \$3,000 city building permit yesterday to construct an eight-room duplex dwelling at 408, 410 Menzies Street for Robert Jesse. The building will have fire and oak floors, hot water heat, stucco exterior walls, a two-car garage and woodshed.

Christmas Party—The Victoria Welsh Society will hold its Christmas social party in the home of

OVERSEAS MASCOT IS QUARANTINED

Pet of Canadian Scottish Troops In England Becomes Victim Of British Law

ALDERSHOT, England, Dec. 28 (CP).—Corky, already mascot of Canadian Scottish troops, has been taken from the boys and placed in quarantine. Things are not the same around camp now.

When the troops landed ten days ago, Corky was declared to be a member of the Canadian Active Service Force and was allowed to proceed to the camp here.

Now officials of the Ministry of Agriculture have ordered him into quarantine. Corky, who has been moping and has fallen sick, is visited on alternate days by a Canadian veterinary surgeon.

Labelled and numbered but with his tartan bow still flying he will be six months in prison before the troops have him back.

It's the law. Meanwhile Corky has been given honorary membership in the Tailors' Club, a canine order organized by dog lovers. A special tag with Corky's name on it was mailed to divisional headquarters.

FORGET-ME-NOT
To old Mr. Biffin was delegated the honor of presenting the vacuum cleaner purchased by the staff as a token of their esteem for Miss Jones, the typist, who was leaving the office to get married.

He rose, blushed nervously, and said: "On behalf of my colleagues and myself, I congratulate you, and beg you to accept this little gift. We hope that, as you employ it to free your home of unwanted dirt and litter, you will be reminded of your old friends at the office."

SAYS CABINET NOT RESIGNING

Japanese Premier Refuses To Leave Office in Face Of Hostility

TOKIO, Dec. 28 (CP-Havas).—Premier Nobuyuki Abe declared categorically today that his Cabinet will not resign in the face of parliamentary hostility.

The Premier said at a press conference that his Government would face the Diet when it convenes January 20, regardless of hostile resolutions adopted by the deputies. Yesterday 240 members of the Diet presented the Government with a resolution asking it to consider resigning.

General Abe said the Government was concerned solely with disposition of the war in China and readjustment of foreign relations, and could not be troubled by "manoeuvres of professional politicians."

RELATIONS WITH U.S.
Respecting relations with the United States, General Abe said, "Perhaps the United States Ambassador does not intend to be severe with Japan after lapse of the commercial treaty."

(The Japanese - United States trade treaty is due to expire January 26, having been denounced by the United States.)

He said that Japan's proposed reopening of the Yangtze River to foreign trade as far as Nanking had no political significance. The army had planned this action for October, but developments delayed it, the Premier declared.

As for any rapprochement with Soviet Russia General Abe said, "Japan has her own terms for this; it is not known whether the Soviet will accept them."

WINTER WEATHER OVER MOUNTAINS

Storm Moves Into Texas Where Ranchers' Livestock May Be Endangered By Blasts

NEW YORK, Dec. 28 (AP).—The wintry blasts which brought a welcome heavy fall of snow to the Rocky Mountain and Great Plains region lingered tonight to annoy livestock owners.

The storm turned off in the direction of the Texas Panhandle and Gulf Coast, laying more snow on the five to eighteen inches which fell earlier in the week.

FEAR FOR LIVESTOCK
Ranchmen in the region feared for their livestock as weather observers forecast a twenty-mile northwest wind.

The storm had moved as far south as San Angelo, Tex. Snow and sleet were expected at Dallas and Fort Worth. Amarillo reported a minimum of 14 degrees.

Sub-zero temperatures gripped Western Kansas. Light snow fell at Kansas City.

Forecasts in the Rocky Mountains indicated the cold wave was moving eastward. Temperatures there were expected to rise.

HARD TO EXPLAIN
Descending the stairs, Willie's mother entered the dining-room where her son was still eating breakfast.

"Did you wash yourself this morning, Willie?" she asked.

Willie gave a hurried gulp as he tried to hide his hands under the tablecloth.

"Yes, of course I did, mother," he replied.

"Well, how is it you didn't find this?"

She held out a folded slip of paper. Written outside was:

"For Willie for the movies"; inside was a quarter.

"Wh-where was it?" gasped Willie.

"Under the soap in the bathroom."

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- "SCATTER BRAIN," Sammy Kaye.
- "INDIAN SUMMER," Tommy Dorsey.
- "MOONLIGHT AND ROSES," Wayne King.
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In Woman's Realm

Tea Party For Blind Is Success

The annual tea for the sightless of Victoria, held at the Shrine Hall yesterday afternoon by the Women's Auxiliary of the Institute for the Blind, was one of the happiest parties of the holiday season.

About fifty blind people were present, each accompanied by an escort, and not only entered with great enjoyment into the hospitality provided, but furnished from their own ranks some excellent talent for a variety programme of music, recitations and other items. Major M. C. Robinson, Vancouver, superintendent of the Western Division of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind, who came from the Mainland for the express purpose of attending the party, expressed everyone's appreciation in a little speech he made at the close of the afternoon when he thanked the ladies of the auxiliary for their kind hospitality and extended the best of wishes on behalf of the guests.

WELCOME THE BLIND

In the absence from the city of the president, Mrs. T. A. Rickard, the vice-president, Miss Ruth Jones, welcomed the blind, who were scattered about the ten tables at which tea was served. These had been prettily decorated with holly and flowers by Mrs. Fitzherbert Bullen, Mrs. W. Hobart Mosen and Miss Eunice Mitchell. Mrs. T. L. Thorpe, Double and Miss Ogilvie convoked the tea, a delectable feast that included Christmas cake and ice cream.

Among the blind guests who contributed much enjoyed vocal solos were Mrs. G. Watling, E. J. Turner, Arthur Bond, Arthur Crocker, Mr. Hornby and Basil Dow. The Blind Choir, conducted by Miss H. Harfield, who was also responsible for their training, led the community singing and also gave a number of carols, in harmony. Two laughable turns were contributed by Mr. Hornby and Mr. Bond, the former's number being "When I Played Baseball," and the latter's some whistled bird tunes, which were quickly recognized and identified. The old-fashioned duet, "O No, John, No!" sung by Mrs. Watling and Mr. Turner, was another popular item. Mrs. J. Robinson acted as accompanist for the choir and Mrs. Hamilton Harman played an extem-

Married at Christmastide



MRS. ALLAN CRAIG

Formerly Miss Irene Palmer, daughter of Captain and Mrs. W. Q. Palmer, Victoria Avenue, who was married on Tuesday evening at St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay. After a honeymoon spent at Mount Baker Lodge, Mr. and Mrs. Craig will live on Seaview Road, Ten Mile Point. The groom is the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Craig, Esquimalt Dockyard.

porized programme of pianoforte music during tea.

Clubs-Societies

Tuckabatchee Club

The meeting of the Tuckabatchee Club was held recently at the home of Miss Edna Middleton. The president, Miss Marian Stevenson, gave a delightful Christmas reading which was followed by carol singing. The election of officers took place, resulting as follows: President, Mrs. A. Davies; vice-president, Miss Vera

Waller; secretary, Miss Chrissie Honeychurch; treasurer, Miss Margaret Mathews; press reporter, Miss Muriel Sprinkling; group leaders, Miss E. Middleton, Mrs. May Maguire, Mrs. Doris Morrison; social committee, Miss D. Waller, Miss E. Ledson; music, Miss F. Phillimore. Refreshments were served by the hostesses.

P.P.C.L.I. Auxiliary
The P.P.C.L.I. Women's Auxiliary will hold its social meeting tonight at the home of Mrs. A. Speirs, 819 Colville Road, at 8 o'clock. All members are invited.

Weddings

LEE-SMITH

The marriage of Laura Victoria, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Smith, Lusseland, Sask., and Private Alfred W. Lee, of the Canadian Scottish Regiment, only son of Mrs. R. F. Craze, of this city, was quietly celebrated by Rev. C. D. Clarke at his home on Saturday evening, December 23, in the presence of two attendants.

The bride wore a becoming jacket dress of dark blue crepe with navy accessories, and a corsage bouquet of pink roses and carnations. Her attendant was Miss Grace Ellen Lee, sister of the groom, wearing a white, colored bolero dress and accessories to match. Mr. Charles MacDonald was best man.

After the ceremony a reception for relatives and intimate friends was held at the home of the bride's sister at 2926 Colquitz Avenue. Mrs. J. Knightly received the guests in a dark green dress and a corsage bouquet of pink carnations. Christmas decorations were arranged throughout the house, and white chrysanthemums were effective in the reception rooms. A three-tier wedding cake between pink tapers in crystal holders centred the refreshment table. The toast to the bride and groom was proposed by Mr. R. F. Craze, to which both the bride and groom responded.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee will make their home in Victoria.

SANDBERG-WILLIAMS

The marriage was solemnized on December 27 at St. Matthias' Church by Ven. Archdeacon Cornish, between Dorothea Elizabeth Williams, eldest daughter of the late W. T. Williams, and Mr. Everett Thomas Sandberg, Burns, Oregon.

Anglican Young People

CATHEDRAL

The Christ Church Cathedral A.Y.P.A. met in the Memorial Hall on Wednesday evening, with the president, Chris Howland, in the chair. Members were asked to collect up-to-date magazines (not more than a year old) suitable for men, for use in the forts. The magazines should be left in room No. 11 of the Memorial Hall. After the business session, several impromptu speeches were made on given subjects, and Dorothy Migley read an article by Stephen Leacock. Next Wednesday evening will be "Recreation Night" in charge of Group 5, under Peggy Mulliner.

Sooke Tea for Red Cross Is Big Success

A most gratifying response was made by the people of Sooke community on the occasion, yesterday, of the silver tea in aid of the Red Cross funds, held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. John Brown, "Ty Colwyn."

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Y.P.S. NEWS

SONG SERVICE

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Social Activities and Notes of Personal Interest



Social and Personal

Children's Party

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Barracough entertained at a Christmas party for their small son, Neil, on Wednesday afternoon in the private lounge of the Dominion Hotel. The young guests enjoyed musical games and the magic feats of Mr. Frank Merryfield. The tea table was decorated with Christmas greenery and favors and red tapers in rose apple scones. The guests were Pamela and David Birley, Sheila and Heather Clark, Sylvia Davy, Diana Elkington, Sandra Humber, Anne Lucas, Jane Maccomson, Margaret and Elizabeth Molson, Ann and Hugh McLean, Elizabeth Palmer, Lynette Parker, Nora Turnbull, Patsy Knowlton, Marlene Miller, Drew Gray, Randle and George Jones, Gordon Money, Nigel Scott Moncrieff, Richard Nash, Brian Milthorpe, David and Timothy Rees, Ian Tyson, Michael Weld, Peter Young, Derek Mason, Edward Van der Vliet and Ian Hunter.

Tea Hostess

Miss Kathleen Rau entertained a number of friends at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Rau, 1728 Coronation Avenue, during the tea hour on Wednesday afternoon. Miss Irene Cogutian presided at the tea table which was centred with a gay Christmas decoration. Miss Irene Quagliotti and Miss Margaret Sedgley assisted in serving. Other guests were Misses Beverly Armstrong, Nancy Asselstine, Laura Bessy, Pat Barr, Mona Batchelor, Margaret Beattie, Jane Clague, Frances Cullin, Frances Doble, Dorothy Douglas, Joan Duncan, Louise Eaton, Helen Ferguson, Olive French, Peggy Laughlin, Louise McBride, Jessie McDowell, Elizabeth McLagan, Wilfred Monhouse, Barbara Moresby, Bell Munroe, Irene O'Brien, Pat Penderay, Peggy Roberts, Faith Sinclair, Bette Southern, Beryl and Elaine Speck and Marjorie Timberlake.

Yuletide Tea

Mrs. T. R. Myers, 315 Linden Avenue, entertained about thirty-five guests at the tea hour yesterday afternoon. The Yuletide decorations of the reception rooms were enhanced by beautiful hothouse flowers, the tea table, with its embroidered and lace-edged Madeira cloth, having an enormous central bowl of crimson roses flanked by red candles in antique silver holders, and pink and yellow chrysanthemums being used in the drawing room. The hostess, who wore a floor-length frock of fur-hatched velvet, was assisted at the tea hour by Mrs. Victor Clarke and Mrs. Herbert Davey, who presided at the tea and coffee urns respectively, and helping with the serving were Mrs. Dudley Cole and Miss Marian Hall.

Entertainers at Tea

Mrs. J. U. Copeman entertained at a largely-attended tea yesterday afternoon at her home on Monterey Avenue in honor of her sister-in-

law, Mrs. G. R. Pearkes, who is here from Calgary visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. U. Copeman. The tea table, arranged with an attractive Christmas motif of a little silver tree set on a sparkling "snow" base, was presided over by Mrs. W. F. U. Copeman, Mrs. O. M. Jones, Mrs. J. C. Stewart and Mrs. Subertland Brown. Mrs. Copeman will entertain again this afternoon.

Christmas Luncheon

A Christmas luncheon was held recently by Dr. Kaye Lamb and the staff of the Provincial Library and Archives in honor of Mrs. Lamb and Miss Alice Bell. Miss Bell, whose marriage will take place shortly, was presented with a corsage bouquet of cream chrysanthemums and pink carnations and a beautiful tray of teardrop crystal cocktail glasses. The decorations were all in keeping with Christmas, and after luncheon each of the guests received a gift from the gaily lighted tree.

Returns to Vancouver

Miss Enid Ellwood, R.N., has returned to the Vancouver General Hospital, after a short Christmas holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Ellwood, "Ivygreen," Metcalfe. The Misses Beth and Gwen Ellwood accompanied their sister and will be the holiday guests of their grandmother, Mrs. M. L. Mitchell, and their uncle and aunt, Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Grimson.

Guest for Holidays

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. McAllister, Cambridge Street, have as their guests Mrs. Caroline O'Brien, Vancouver, provincial field director of the Women's Benevolent Association, who came to spend the holidays and will remain until January 8, when she will officiate at the installation of new officers in the W.B.A. Review No. 1.

Engagement Announced

The engagement has recently been announced between Mildred, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. H. C. Church, Powell Avenue, Ottawa, and Flight-Lieut. Jack Despard Twigg, R.C.A.F., Trenton, Ont., only son of Mr. and Mrs. H. Despard Twigg, Chamberlain Street, Victoria. The wedding will take place in the Spring.

Bishop Will Not Receive

The usual New Year's Day reception at Bishop's Close will not be held this year. The Bishop and Mrs. Sexton look forward to receiving their many friends at a later date.

Visiting Mother

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bray and their son, Marshall, Vancouver, are spending the holiday season with Mrs. Bray's mother, Mrs. Peters, Esquimalt.

Leaving for East

Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. A. V. Tremaine, who have been staying at the Angela, are leaving early next week for Regina, en route to Kingston.

Making Return Visit

Mr. and Mrs. F. Timmins, La Jolla, California, are making a return visit to the city and will be at the Old Charming Inn, Oak Bay, for some time.

Visitors From Vernon

Mrs. Godfrey Isaac, Vernon, B.C., and her mother, Madame de Noqueira, are here for the winter and are staying at the Old Charming Inn, Oak Bay.

Fly to California

Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. Angus, Thompson Avenue, left yesterday for Seattle and will fly to California to spend a short holiday in San Francisco.

Here for Month

Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. Slater, Duncan, have been spending a month at the Old Charming Inn, Oak Bay, and will be returning home shortly.

From London

Mr. H. F. Charles, London, England, who has been visiting in Vancouver, is now here for several weeks and is staying at the Old Charming Inn, Oak Bay.

Return From South

Mr. and Mrs. St. John Jones have returned to the Angela, after an absence of two months in San Francisco.

Holiday in City

Mrs. J. B. Little arrived yesterday from Edmonton and will spend some time at the Old Charming Inn, Oak Bay.

No Reception

The Dean of Columbia and Mrs. Elliott will not be "at home" on New Year's Day.

Return to Vancouver

Mr. and Mrs. Alan Crawley were here from Vancouver for Christmas and stayed at Cherry Bank.

ENGAGEMENTS

BOUVER-CAREY

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Carey, 1131 Esquimalt Road, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Joan Daphne, to Mr. Pete Bouver, R.C.N., son of Mr. and Mrs. Bouver, Regina, Sask. The wedding will take place in Halifax, early in February.

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Celebrated Disease to Visit City

Miss Ruth Draper, internationally-famous entertainer, one of the few living artists in her special field who is able unassisted to attract crowded houses in the most sophisticated theatre centres of the world, is to give two entertainments in Victoria on January 31 and February 1.

The information was announced yesterday by Major L. Bullock-Webster, organizer of the community drama branch of the British Columbia Department of Education. Miss Draper, through Their Excellencies the Governor-General and Lady Tweedsmuir, offered to tour Canada and donate the entire net proceeds to the Canadian Red Cross Society. The offer was gratefully accepted, and the itinerary has been arranged so that the tour is to begin on January 4 at Montreal, and conclude in Victoria, on the day given, after performances in fifteen different cities.

An American, Miss Draper is not only a celebrated artist, but unique in the theatre. "She is perhaps," one of her critics wrote, "the only individual who can take a theatre in London or New York and fill it, single-handed, for several weeks at a time. She is widely known, and has been acclaimed in most countries of the world. To see Ruth Draper is an unforgettable experience, and audiences will be richly rewarded."

Her contribution to the cause of the Allies is, therefore, singularly generous, and the sponsors express the hope that Canadian patriotic sentiment will ensure bumper houses and the wholehearted support which such a generous gesture on the part of so distinguished an American artist merits.

GOSE WITH THE WIND

"What became of that portable garage of yours?" "I tied the dog to it the other day and a cat came by."

Witty Kitty



The hardest thing about skiing is to learn to keep heads up.

Plans Made for New Year's Eve

On Sunday evening, December 31, the new year will be suitably greeted with a programme of special music, a buffet supper and several hours of dancing at the Y.W.C.A. Novelties and favors will add to the spirit of gaiety which accompanies the entrance of the new year. Among those who will contribute to the evening's programme are Miss Grace Buschell, vocalist; Robin Wood, pianist, and a string quartette with Vivian Showmaker at the piano. A short talk will be given by Ernest Bishop, anticipating the arrival of 1940.

The buffet supper, which will follow, will be served in the dining-room of the Y.W.C.A. with the co-operation of Miss Edna Auger, and those assisting will include Miss Dorothy Spencer, Miss Kay Tapley, Miss Mary West and Mrs. W. Cartwright. At midnight the favors, novelties, noisemakers, etc. will be distributed among the guests, and dancing will commence to welcome the new year and will continue until 2 o'clock. This affair is sponsored each year jointly by the Y.W.C.A. and the Y.M.C.A. through a committee representing the two organizations. Tickets may be secured in advance from the officers of either association or from individual members.

HOLD FIVE-DAY SERIES OF SPECIAL MEETINGS

A five-day series of special meetings is being held at the Salvation Army Citadel, Broad Street, by Lieut.-Col. John Habbkirk, commencing last night. The colonel is a veteran officer who has seen many years of service in Canada and the United States, his last appointment being the oversight of work among prisoners, with headquarters in Chicago. Since his retirement from active service, he has avoided settling down and spends a good deal of his time conducting evangelistic campaigns, the last being of a month's duration in San Francisco. Mrs. Habbkirk also speaks at the meetings. Both she and the colonel are known by many in Victoria. In 1920 they were stationed at Vancouver headquarters as divisional young people's secretaries for British Columbia. Their son, Adjutant James Habbkirk, is the social superintendent for Greater Victoria and in charge of the Army's institution on Johnson Street.

COME ON, BONES!

Suspension of leased wire services for racing syndicates in Chicago may force thousands of gamblers to go back to more primitive systems of losing their money, such as throwing dice.

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Service Smooths Elders' Problems

NEW YORK, Dec. 28 (CP)—A social service to give elderly persons the "interested and continuing attention of an affectionate daughter" has been created by Miss Helen Large and Miss Dorothy Stabler, social workers of wide experience. It is known as "Service for Seniors."

Miss Large and Miss Stabler offer to find a home for an aged woman with people of congenial habits, or help her buy a hat, or watch over her recreations.

"We try not merely to find a good boarding place for a woman no longer able to manage her own home," Miss Large explained, "but also to find her a place with companionable folks. If she is musical, she will be with people who speak her language; if she has artistic tastes, she will live in a sympathetic environment."

"One of the things we do is to make periodic visits to our clients, just to make sure they are all right; then we write and reassure the absent sons or daughters. Or, if something needs to be done, we can furnish the initiative that the elderly persons lack."

Ministers of large New York churches have encouraged Miss Large and Miss Stabler in their project, glad to turn over to them many personal problems of their elder parishioners.

ESQUIMALT CHRISTMAS TREE

The Esquimalt Community Club will hold its annual Christmas tree tomorrow in St. Paul's Parish Hall at 5 p.m. Members are asked to bring children to the party.

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Scholarship FOR MUSICAL COMPOSITION
To encourage and stimulate original Canadian work, the Canadian Performing Rights Society Limited again offers a scholarship (value \$150) and three cash awards for meritorious compositions.
The competition, which closes March 1, 1940, is open to Canadians of either sex under 25 years of age at time of entry.
Information and application forms are now available from The Canadian Performing Rights Society Limited, Royal Bank Bldg., Toronto, Ont.

TRADE BATTLE BRINGS CHARGE

Struggle Over United States Pact Programme Expected To Be Long

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28 (CP)—The struggle over the United States trade pact programme opened in earnest today, when Representative Daniel Reed, New York Republican, issued a statement charging that the Administration had chosen Joseph E. Davies as a "super lobbyist" to fight for the programme by holding "sordid and costly salons" and by exercising powers of patronage, punishment and persuasion.

Reed referred to the fact Davies, Ambassador to Belgium and former envoy to Russia, has been appointed to new duties as a special assistant to Secretary of State Cordell Hull. He also accused the Administration of favoring "copper barons" in its programme, noting it had announced recently that the duty on copper would not be reduced in a pending pact with Chile.

Reed's denunciation was considered a foretaste of the bitterness expected to develop on both sides when the Administration presses for renewal of its powers to negotiate without the consent of the Senate, pacts which lower tariff barriers on a reciprocal basis. The power expires next June unless Congress acts. Canada is among the nations with which the United States has a trade agreement.

Senator George Norris, white-haired Nebraska Independent, entered the lists on the Roosevelt side today by predicting that public opinion would enable the Administration to obtain extension of its power. He said he would "do my part" in the debates.

WANTS BOARD TO PROBE DROWNING

Appointment of Royal Commission To Investigate Death of Gertrude Small Is Urged

TORONTO, Dec. 28 (CP)—Appointment of a Royal Commission to investigate the drowning of Miss Gertrude Small at Wasaga Beach, October 27, was urged on Premier Mitchell Hepburn today by Patrick Sullivan, on behalf of her sister, Miss Florence Small.

In a letter to Mr. Hepburn, Sullivan asked cancellation of the inquest into the fatality, scheduled for Collingwood next Thursday, and an inquiry by a Royal Commission because "the seriousness of the case calls for something more than a pseudo investigation by an inquest."

Sullivan said he believes Miss Small was "not accidentally drowned" and will forward a report of his private investigation into the case to the Premier within eight days.

Miss Small and Warren Bell, of Midland, were drowned when the automobile in which they were riding plunged into the Nottawasaga River during a honeymoon trip. They were married the previous day.

The bride was a sister of Ambrose J. Small, Toronto theatre magnate, whose disappearance in 1919 has never been solved.

GERMANS KILLED BY BLAST NEAR RUINS

LUXEMBOURG, Dec. 28 (CP)—Nazi soldiers were seen carrying away several mangled bodies last evening after a blast on the German bank of the Moselle River which flung stones and splinters almost as far as the village of Schengen in Luxembourg. The explosion occurred near the dismantled ruins of the Schengen Bridge, blown up by the Reichswehr early in the war.

GOLDEN AGE IS FORECAST

United States Geologist Says Warless Civilization in Near Future

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 28 (AP)—A warless "golden age" of civilization in the near future was predicted today by Dr. Kirtley Mather, of Harvard University.

Speaking as a geologist who thinks of epochs of thousands and millions of years in the past and toward similar periods of time in the future, Dr. Mather told the Society of Sigma Xi, honorary scientific fraternity, meeting in conjunction with the American Association for the Advancement of Science here, that man is still in the elementary stages of his evolution as the dominant creature of the earth.

VIEW OF HISTORY

In the long-range view of history and pre-history the first Great War and the present one are childish "spats" which, when settled by necessity, will bring the world eventually into a co-operative organization to make full use of the natural resources of the earth and the benefits of scientific endeavor, he declared.

Present natural resources of soil, coal, oil, minerals, plants, plus the ingenuity of science can provide a comfortable existence for every person on earth, even though the number may be doubled during the next 1,000 years, he said.

Individuals and nations are at war today for control of these essentials to life, even though science is making "automobile steering wheels from soy beans, piano keys from cottage cheese, metal and rubber substitutes from corn cobs," and is directing more money to research on the "renewable" resources of the world.

PRESSURE IS LESS

"What this new policy will mean is readily apparent" in world economy, Dr. Mather said. "With progress along such lines, the pressure for political control of ore deposits, coal fields and oil pools is lessened. Much of the physical basis for international jealousy is liquidated. At last the intelligence of science may make it truly practical to beat our swords into ploughshares, our spears into pruning hooks."

"The outlook for the future of man is far from pessimistic."

WAR CHANGES SLOGAN

PARIS, Dec. 28 (AP)—Finance Minister Paul Reynaud declared in a

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Grapefruit Juice, 12-oz. can, 3 for 23c	Strawberry Jam, 1 lb. 49c	Tuna Fish, 1 lb. 16c
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SPECIALS FOR YOUR NEW YEAR'S DINNER OR PARTY

Fruit Cocktail, 12-oz. can, 2 for 23c	Cranberry or Mint Jelly, 1 lb. 22c
Libby's, 12-oz. can, 2 for 23c	Shiraz, 12-oz. jar, 2 for 19c
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Asparagus, 1 lb. 29c	Pickles, 1 lb. 9c
Line Juice, 12-oz. can, 2 for 29c	Colorado, 1 lb. 21c
Grape Juice, 12-oz. can, 2 for 26c	Mineral, 1 lb. 23c
Ginger Wine, 12-oz. can, 15c	Beef, 1 lb. 39c
Glazed Ham, 1 lb. 53c	Cranberry Sauce, 1 lb. 22c

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Science today that his pre-war advice to the country to "buy" had been replaced by a new slogan: "Every unnecessary expenditure is an offence against the country."

MAY PREVENT PLANE BENDS

Science Discovers Cure for Attacks Occasioned by Pilots Flying High

COLUMBUS, Dec. 28 (AP)—A new implement for defensive warfare, discovery of a complete preventive for the airplane "bends" that attack intercepter plane pilots, was announced today from the Mayo Clinic.

The discovery, initiated and carried to completion all within the past six weeks, was declared of immediate use to pilots in the current war, particularly under West Front conditions and in meeting bombing raids over the North Sea.

Announcement was made to the American Association for the Advancement of Science by W. Randolph Lovelace II, Walter B. Boothby and Captain O. Benson.

SOMETHING NEW Airplane bends itself is something new. It is literally the upside-down version of the deep-sea bends. The air trouble doubles up the pilots with the same kind of cramps, but in addition plays other havoc, sometimes causing quick unconsciousness.

Divers' bends come from nitrogen bubbles, squeezed into the blood and tissues by the extra pressure of the depth, or of caissons. The plane pilot suffers in reverse. The air pressure around him drops faster than his internal pressure. The result is exactly the same internal squeeze with appearance of nitrogen bubbles.

In flying, however, this hazard is restricted mostly to pilots who have to rise very rapidly to 30,000 feet altitude. For European intercepter fighters the hazard is especially great because the raiding planes can approach close to shore or ship before they are detected.

FREE OF NITROGEN Six weeks ago the Mayo physicians got the idea that the bends might be prevented if, before take-off, a pilot's body could be almost freed from nitrogen.

It was discovered that by breathing 100 per cent pure oxygen long enough in advance, the human body could be freed of nitrogen, with no bad effects.

The problem remained how to get the nitrogen out of a fighting man quick enough. Two practical methods were developed. One is com-

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8-oz Tumblers, doz., \$1.80	Tall Cocktails and Wines, each, 15c
5-oz Tumblers, doz., \$1.50	35c to \$1.25
3-oz Tumblers, doz., \$1.00	Colored Highball Glasses, each, 15c
	Cut-Glass Decanters, \$3.95, \$4.95, and \$5.95

Chrome Cocktail Shakers, each, \$3.95

Cocktail Picks, Set of 6 for \$3.95

Cocktail Picks and Jugglers, Per set \$1.75

Chinaware, Third Floor at THE BAY

TEACHERS WANT TO AID NATION

TORONTO, Dec. 28 (CP)—The Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation, in convention here today, decided to ask the Education Minister to clarify in what way the schools might be of greatest service to the nation during wartime.

A month before the outbreak of war, a mutual insurance company was formed by the teachers, with 1,000 male teachers paying premiums. Following the outbreak of war the question was raised whether this should not be used for the benefit of enlisted teachers, and plans were made today for the 4,000 high school teachers, both men and women, to contribute to a fund on a voluntary basis which would ensure compensation to either men or women enlisted in war service.

SATISFIED A negro was rambling down a country road. His clothes were worn out and patched, his hat stuck out of his shoes, and his hat had holes in it like a net. He was whistling a joyful tune, a blissful smile on his face.

A man saw him pass, and called after him to stop.

"Rastus, do you want to earn a dime?"

"Naw, sah, thank 'ee. Not today, I got a dime."

A GENTLE HINT The page-boy carried the guest's luggage up four flights of stairs and stood puffing and blowing in the bedroom. The visitor looked at the boy with some interest.

"Now, my lad," he asked, "what's your name?"

"Davy Green, sir," replied the boy. "But they usually call me 'Billard Cue' sir."

"Oh, and how's that?"

"Because I work better with a tip," said the sharp lad.

BRASS TACKS The new vicar was endeavoring by his cheery and confidential manner to endear himself to the members of his congregation.

"Well, my friends," he said at the beginning of his first sermon, "what would you like me to talk about today?"

"Talk about four and a half minutes," an authoritative voice advised.

HE WAS TOPICAL The prisoner had been found guilty of assaulting his neighbor and the magistrate asked him whether he had anything to say before he passed sentence on him.

"But, your worship," said the prisoner, "I've said I didn't mean to do it an' I've apologized. Why don't I be let off—like the Japanese Government?"

SHE MIGHT DO Lady—I'm very particular. I want a maid who won't answer me back.

Agency Manager—I have just what you want—a former telephone operator.

GOOD REASON Amateur Boxer (to his second between the rounds)—I wish I could give that fellow a sock that would make him forget everything.

Second—That's the idea.

Boxer—Yes, I owe him 25.



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A new militiaman, walking through the camp deep in thought, passed one of his officers without saluting him. And the officer, an erstwhile sergeant-major of the old school, in no uncertain manner gave him to understand that he had noticed the oversight and that unpleasant penalties usually followed such delinquencies.

The next day they passed again, and once more the private failed to salute.

"Here, you!" barked the officer.

"Why don't you salute? I thought I told you yesterday..."

"I know, sir," interrupted the militiaman. "I was going to. And then it occurred to me you might still be a little provoked about that 'Here, you!' barked the officer."

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RACE HORSE HAS WHISKY

S.P.C.A. and Temperance Alliance Get After Owner Of Aussie Horse

MELBOURNE, Australia, Dec. 28. (CP-Reuter).—Maiki, an extremely nervous gelding, always has a nip of whisky—in his case three-quarters of a bottle—on the morning of a race to steady himself.

Despite this treatment, Maiki proved unlucky by running second in two big races.

Then the owner's friend, a whisky merchant, had an idea. Perhaps the horse didn't care for the particular brand that was given him.

The brand was changed—and so was Maiki. He won his next two races, one of them, the Eclipse Stakes, after being fifteen lengths behind the leaders with half a mile to go.

Stewards of the Victoria Racing Club ruled that the whisky was a tonic, not a stimulant, and took no action.

But the R.S.P.C.A. and the Temperance Alliance did.

"Whisky under no circumstances can be described as a tonic for or best," said an executive of the Temperance Alliance. "It is a temporary stimulant, and then depresses."

"It's a damnable thing to do," said the secretary of the R.S.P.C.A. "If a horse cannot race without first being given whisky, he shouldn't run at all."

BUCKAROOS BEAT SEATTLE ICEMEN

PORTLAND, Dec. 28 (P).—Three Portland Buckaroos snapped a three-game losing streak here tonight by defeating the Seattle Seahawks, 5-2. The Bucs were never behind from the first period, when they sniped the only three goals of the session.

LINE-UPS

Seattle—Pinker, Houbregs, Ripley; Downie, Daley, Tabor. Subs: King, Kenny, Blythe, Hutchinson.

Portland—Aikenhead; McAdam, Sutherland; Ouellette, Holmes, Webster. Subs: Conn, Scharfe, Martin, McCartney.

SUMMARY

First Period—1, Portland, Sutherland (Ouellette), 7:23; 2, Portland, Martin (McAdam), 17:42; 3, Portland, Ouellette (Holmes), 18:31. Penalties, Conn.

Second Period—4, Seattle, Daley (Ripley), 8:20; 5, Portland, Sutherland (Ouellette), 19:32. Penalties, Kenny, Daley.

Third Period—6, Portland, McCartney (Scharfe), 19:00; 7, Seattle, Ripley (King, Downie), 19:39.

AMATEUR HOCKEY RESULTS

Thunder Bay Senior—Geraldton 6, Fort William 1.

Manitoba Junior—Winnipeg Monarchs 5, Winnipeg Rangers 4.

PROPAGANDA BLAMED FOR TOURIST DROP

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ada of all tourists' goods, including such things as automobiles and money, to immediate conscription of tourists for armed forces as soon as they enter Canada.

These inquiries started immediately after Canada entered the war. They came from such widely-separated spots that tourist authorities could form no other opinion than that they were started with malicious intent.

On the outbreak of war, Canada's tourist trade with the United States declined sharply. This was taken by officials to be nothing more than natural apprehension. Then came the inquiries as to travel conditions and the flood of adverse rumors.

AGENCIES CIRCULARIZED

"Since then," said Mr. Dolan, "we have about caught up with these reports by circularizing all agencies in the United States. Now, with first-rate snow conditions in the Laurentians, the inquiries are the winter tourist trade among sports enthusiasts will be larger than ever."

At the same time the Government Tourist Travel Bureau has called on Canadians to co-operate in helping to maintain the trade by giving tourists the standard rate of exchange on their currency as set forth by the Foreign Exchange Control Board.

CANADA HOLDING PLACE IN TRADE

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Import totals for 1939. Figures are available for ten months, but, with the Dominion importing heavily to assist in its war effort, the November and December figures may prove exceptionally great. Best estimates available indicate a total of \$710,000,000. Last year it was \$677,000,000. Such a total would give Canada a favorable balance of exports over imports of more than \$250,000,000.

"Women," declared the quiet little man in the corner seat, "endure pain more heroically than men. I know it from experience."

"Are you a doctor, may I ask?" queried a fellow-passenger.

"No, sir. I am a whomaker," replied the little man.

To Plan Sports For Servicemen

Under the direction of the coordinating council for war work and civilian services in Greater Victoria, the following committee has been appointed to draw up a sports programme for men of the sea, land and air forces stationed here: Alderman W. H. Davies, chairman; Archie McKinnon, Y.M.C.A.; A. E. Popham, soccer; Percy Shrimpton, Canadian Legion; H. J. Ketchen, Rugby; A. C. Butcher, secretary.

The committee was chosen by nomination committee appointed from a recent meeting of representatives of all sports organizations and of the active service units.

PEDENS ARE LAP BEHIND

Victorians Trail Field in Cleveland Race—Audy And Moretti Lead

CLEVELAND, Dec. 28 (CP).—The Canadian-Italian duo of Jules Audy, of Montreal, and Cesar Moretti, of Italy, gained a lap to take the lead with 462 sprint points as four teams were tied for mileage leadership tonight in Cleveland's ninth international six-day bicycle race.

The Peden brothers, Torchy and Doug, of Victoria, were still a lap behind the leaders.

Standing of the teams at 10 p.m. M.S.T. follows:

Audy-Moretti	1,537	8	488
Walthour-Crosby	1,537	9	455
Rodman-Thomas	1,537	9	296
Bergna-Bollaert	1,537	9	184
W. Peden-D. Peden	1,537	8	390
Yacino-O'Brien	1,537	8	265
Leitourmer-Debaets	1,537	8	138
Olivares-Espinoza	1,537	7	207
Shipman-Wissel	1,537	6	275

PARTY HELD BY LAWN BOWLERS

Victoria Women's Club Entertains at Thirtieth Annual Yuletide Dinner

Members of the Victoria Ladies' Lawn Bowling Club entertained the men bowlers and several other guests at their annual Christmas dinner and party, in Spencer's dining-room last night, more than 130 taking part in an enjoyable evening's entertainment.

It was recalled that the first dinner of the club was held thirty years ago in the old Driad Hotel, on the site now occupied by Spencer's building in which last night's function was held. The menu last night also was the same as that for the dinner in 1909, a copy of which Walter Chambers, a veteran member of the club, still has.

Following the dinner, which took on a festive air when paper caps were donned, Mrs. R. F. Davey, past president of the club, introduced the president for 1940, Mrs. H. McConnelly, and J. A. MacDonald, past president of the men's club, introduced John Day as the new president. The toast to the ladies was proposed by W. M. Halliday, who referred appreciatively to the great contribution made by the ladies towards the success of lawn bowling.

SAULORS ENTERTAIN

Later the guests gathered round a Christmas tree, from which Santa Claus distributed a gift to each. A large part of the entertainment programme that followed was provided by a party from a visiting British cruiser, comprising Able Seamen Morton, Martin, Barwacker, Daly and Robinson and Private Cousins, who contributed humorous numbers, songs, card tricks, and led community singing. An exhibition of sword swallowing was given by Private Cousins.

Tap dances were given by Miss Jean Cromack, and the programme concluded with a play by members of the ladies' club. Fred Sillars was master of ceremonies, and George Ozard provided music during the evening.

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ALDERSHOT, Eng. Dec. 28 (CP).—Consideration is being given to a letter written to the authorities at Canadian headquarters here by J. F. Ahearn, secretary of the British Ice Hockey Association, suggesting that a hockey league be organized within the Canadian Active Service Force.

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Line-up of the Esquimalt football team for Monday's important match with Victoria West at the Athletic Park in the Fredy Price Cup series will be chosen from the following: Harbinson, Elliott, Joe Watt, March, Thomas, E. Barnawell, Robinson, Cockrill, Dods, A. Stewart, John Watt, Lewis, Ross, B. Barnawell and J. Stewart.

The team is asked to meet at Palmer's Drug Store at 1:15 for transportation to the game.

Stork Interferes With Nationality Choice for Baby

HOLLYWOOD, Dec. 28 (P).—Because the stork overtook immigration procedure, a six-pound thirteen-ounce daughter born today to Joan Woodbury, actress wife of Henry Wilcoxon, English actor, will have to wait twenty-one years before her citizenship status can be determined.

Wilcoxon expected his final United States citizenship papers to arrive before his daughter did. But it did not happen that way. So young Wendy Joan will have her choice of countries twenty-one years hence under immigration provisions.

OILERS TRIMMED BY THUNDERBIRDS

PRINCE RUPERT, Dec. 28 (CP).—The hard-checking and sure-shooting University of British Columbia Thunderbirds played circles around the Standard Oilers, of Prince Rupert, here tonight in the second tilt of a two-game exhibition basketball series and rang up a score of 73-33.

Wednesday night they beat the oilmen, 53-41.

Varsity led, 28-11, at halftime in tonight's encounter, with Alexander and Pringle shooting fifteen points apiece for high scoring honors.

Flynn was a point behind with fourteen markers for the students.

Beynon and Morgan were tops for Prince Rupert, with ten points each.

Thunderbirds boarded the night boat and will be back in Vancouver Saturday afternoon.

JEAN DYER AND OLSEN WINNERS

Carry Off Trophies in V.A.S.C. Swims—Presentation Made

JEAN DYER AND Peter Olsen, young Victoria Amateur Swimming Club free style artists, last night carried off the Armstrong and V.A.S.C. Cups, respectively, in club swims held at the Crystal Garden pool.

Mrs. Dyer's victory was her third in the last four years. Molly Leiper finished yards behind the winner and Marigold Mackenzie was third.

Peter Olsen scored an excellent victory in the boys' event, finishing well ahead of Ewart McDonald. Jack Watson was third.

Theresa Lee-Warner took first place in the special event for members of the Girls' Drill Team, with Alice King second and Beryl Drew third.

In the fifty yards for boys over fifteen, Billy Stevenson was the winner and Graham Drew was second.

Members adjourned to the Chamber of Commerce following the swimming and enjoyed a social evening. Prizes were presented to the successful contestants by Capt. Nor-

man Foster, club president, and Mrs. Alice Hiberson, women's coach, was the recipient of a handsome traveling bag, the gift of club members.

THE RETORT COURTEOUS

A pedestrian had fallen into a manhole and called for help.

"Dear me," said a gentleman who happened along. "Have you fallen into the manhole?"

"Not at all," was the reply. "As you seem interested, I will say I just happened to be down here and they built the pavement around me."

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Here is a list to choose from—brands noted for their quality and value wherever the ring of true hospitality is known. At this holiday season select your requirements from this list, knowing that your friends will endorse your choice, for each one is an outstanding favorite.

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SEAGRAM'S "V.O." 16 oz. \$2.05
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SEAGRAM'S "KING'S PLATE" 16 oz. \$1.70
25 oz. \$2.65
40 oz. \$4.05

SEAGRAM'S SPECIAL Old Rye 13 oz. \$1.25
25 oz. \$2.35
40 oz. \$3.55

MACKENZIE'S SPECIAL 16 oz. \$1.70
25 oz. \$2.65
40 oz. \$4.05

MACKENZIE'S GRAND RESERVE 16 oz. \$1.80
25 oz. \$2.80
40 oz. \$4.30

LONDON DRY GINS

Sir Robert BURNETT'S White Satin Gin 12 oz. \$1.40
25 oz. \$2.70

Sir Robert BURNETT'S London Dry Gin 12 oz. \$1.20
25 oz. \$2.30
40 oz. \$3.40

VICKERS' London Dry Gin 12 oz. \$1.20
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"STAR OF MIDNIGHT"
NEWS
OAK BAY EVES - 6:30
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PLAZA NOW!
HILL BILLY HI-JINKS!

WEAVER BROTHERS and ELVIRY
JEEPERS CREEPERS
ROY ROGERS
MARIS WRIXON

ADDED FEATURE
"THEY ASKED FOR IT"
NEWS - CARTOON

THE INSULT
The teacher noticed the small boy scribbling in an arithmetic class. The teacher looked down to see what the boy was writing and a most extraordinary riddle met his eyes. "Blow, suck, suck, blow," ran the words.
"What is that nonsense?" said the teacher sternly.
"Oh, sir, it's not nonsense," said the boy, aggrieved. "It's mouth organ music for 'God Save the King!'"

THE RIO
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NOW TELL SATURDAY

COLORADO SUNSET
PLUS WARNER BAXTER in
"THE CISCO KID"
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At the Theatres

"DAY-TIME WIFE" IS GAY COMEDY

What Have Secretaries Got That Wives Haven't Hilariously Answered In Film

What have secretaries got that wives haven't? This intriguing question is pondered—and hilariously answered—in "Day-Time Wife," the gay 20th Century-Fox romantic comedy, starring Tyrone Power and Linda Darnell, which will open today at the Dominion Theatre. Miss Darnell is the little dancer-eyed lady who made such a hit in Elsa Maxwell's "Hotel for Women."

Warren William, Binnie Barnes, Wendy Barrie (as the secretary) and Joan Davis are featured in the supporting cast, under the sprightly direction of Gregory Ratoff.

OAK BAY In the picture, "What Theatre a Life," now featured at the Oak Bay Theatre, Jackie Cooper and Betty Field head the supporting cast, which includes John Howard, Janice Logan and Lionel Stander in the film based on the two-season Broadway hit.

PLAZA "Jeepers Creepers," now showing at the Plaza Theatre, stars the Weaver Brothers and Elviry, and marks the first screen appearance of the cowboy star, Roy Rogers, outside of Westerns. Others in the cast are Maris Wrixon, Thurston Hall, Lucien Littlefield, Johnny Arthur, and Loretta Weaver.

RIO "Colorado Sunset," now Theatre featured at the Rio Theatre, is a hilariously amusing and exciting story that uses the cattle country of Colorado for a background. Gene Autry, "Buster" Crabbe and June Storey play the leading roles.

CADET Evening at 8:30
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"EAST SIDE OF HEAVEN"
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ADDED—BOB HENRIET in
"DARK MAGIC"
Adults - 25¢ Children - 10¢

REDS RENEW CENSORSHIP

Foreign News Dispatches Again to Be Examined Before Transmission

MOSCOW, Dec. 28 (AP).—The Soviet Russian Foreign Office tonight announced it had clamped a renewed censorship on foreign news dispatches effective at 10 a.m. today.

The new measure disclosed increasing Russian dissatisfaction with foreign news reports. Newspapermen here have been looking for this step, or for a broader action, for a long time.

Some of these dispatches have not confined themselves to the cryptic Soviet military communiqués dealing with the Finnish war.

Tonight's communiqué, for instance, was one of a long series failing to report any important Red Army success, and giving the impression only minor skirmishes were taking place.

NOTHING IMPORTANT
It said: "There were no events of importance at the front December 28."

(Soviet Russia formerly had a rigid censorship, but it was abolished about a month before the war between Germany and the Allies started.)

(As in Germany and Italy, however, foreign correspondents continued under a strong personal responsibility for the dispatches they sent, although the dispatches were not subjected to the censor's pencil before publication.)

THREATENS DEATH TO BROADCASTER
Radio Station Cut Off Air When Man Insists on Speaking For Poland

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 28 (AP).—Radio station WSAR was cut off the air tonight when an announcer was threatened with death by a man allegedly attempting to broadcast "in the interests of Poland."

Police reported announcer Manuel Rodriguez switched off the microphone when a man, booked later as Louis Beleski, thirty, Fall River, and charged with disturbing the peace, entered the station and threatened to shoot.

"I'm going to broadcast for ten or fifteen minutes the interests of Poland, and anyone moving or attempting to stop me will be shot."

He repeated the threat when Orville B. Seagrave stepped from the control room to inquire what was wrong, but Seagrave slipped out of the studio and called police.

They found that what station employees thought was a gun in Beleski's pocket was a wooden mallet used for playing table croquet.

AMUSEMENTS
On the Screen
Atlas—"Thunder Afloat," starring Wallace Beery.
Capitol—"Rulers of the Sea," featuring Douglas Fairbanks, Jr.
Cadet—"East Side of Heaven," starring Bing Crosby.
Dominion—"Tyrone Power, in 'Day-Time Wife'."
Oak Bay—Jackie Cooper in "What a Life."
Plaza—"Jeepers Creepers," featuring Roy Rogers.
Rio—Gene Autry in "Colorado Sunset."

GREAT SEA TALE AT THE CAPITOL
Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., Margaret Lockwood and Will Fyffe Star in Picture

The great trans-Atlantic race of the Dog Star, the first ship to cross the western ocean by steam alone, and the Falcon, crack clipper, forms the thrilling climax of Frank Lloyd's "Rulers of the Sea," which will open today at the Capitol Theatre.

Sharing the spotlight with ships and ocean in this epic of the victory of steam over sail are the three co-stars, Douglas Fairbanks, Jr., Margaret Lockwood and Will Fyffe, the Scottish actor now making his United States debut.

ATLAS The ancient tugboat Theatre Narcissus, which carried the first crack clipper, Douglas and Wallace Beery to fame in "Tugboat Annie," was hauled out of drydock on the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer back lot and put back in commission for Beery's newest picture, "Thunder Afloat," now showing at the Atlas Theatre.

AUSTRALIA CALLS UP TWO MORE CLASSES

SYDNEY, Australia, Dec. 28 (CP-Reuters).—The Australian Government today called up for military training all single men who reach the age of twenty-one between July 1 and December 31, 1940, and those who reach the age of twenty between January 1 and December 31, 1940.

Australian militia, for home defence, is made up entirely of men obtained through the compulsory system. Troops in training for overseas service are volunteers.

Last month the Government called up an initial group of single men for training. It is expected the force will be maintained at a strength of not under 50,000.

MAY CUT PRICE OF PLANE FUEL
New Oil Refinery at Fort Norman Soon to Be in Operation

OTTAWA, Dec. 28 (CP).—A new oil refinery soon to begin operation near Fort Norman, 1,200 miles north of Edmonton in the Northwest Territories, is expected to bring a sharp reduction in fuel costs for aviation, transport and mining companies in that region.

An order in council passed by the Dominion Government will waive a 10 per cent royalty the oil company would ordinarily have to pay on its products, and, in return, the refinery will sell high-octane aviation gasoline at thirty-seven cents a gallon plus tax, and fuel oil at thirteen cents a gallon.

Aviation fuel up to now has been freighted in from British Columbia, and the heavy freight rates have made the price in the neighborhood of \$1.50 a gallon.

The refinery of the Northwest Company, Limited, a subsidiary of Imperial Oil Company, has just been completed at Norman Wells, forty-two miles below Fort Norman on the Mackenzie River, and is expected to start work early in 1940.

Oil was first discovered in the region by Sir Alexander Mackenzie in 1789, but Imperial Oil started working the first well in 1914. The company now undertakes to drill an additional well at Norman if required to meet the local demand.

A NEW EXCUSE
Vainly trying to collect \$40 due him from one of his customers, the colored man consulted his lawyer friend.

"What reason," his lawyer asked, "does he give for not paying you this money?"

"Boss," replied the colored gentleman, anxiously, "he's gimme a mighty good reason, sah."

"Well, what is it?"

"He done, say, Boss, dat he's been own' me dat money so long dat de interest has et it all up."

SURVIVORS ARRIVE
LONDON, Dec. 28 (CP).—The Royal Mail Lines announced today that eight survivors of the British freighter Navasota, sunk in the Atlantic on December 8, had landed on Christmas Day at Cape Town. Two others died aboard the rescue ship.

The captain and thirty-four others sank in eight minutes. Survivors were missing after the 8,795-ton vessel said she was torpedoed.

PREDICTS MORE QUAKE COMING
Vancouver Engineer Forecasts Destructive Tremors for Next Year

VANCOUVER, Dec. 28 (CP).—Edgar C. Thrupp, a member of the Engineering Institute of Canada, forecast today that 1940 will "bring the most destructive earthquakes of the twentieth century," but said Canada will not be seriously affected.

Pointing to yesterday's death-dealing earthquake in Turkey as an example of his successful predictions in the past, Thrupp said July 20 to August 5, next year, will be the "first period of risk of the worst disasters."

"This occasion will compare with the disasters in Asia Minor on August 13 and September 5, 1922, when 20,000 people were killed," he said in an interview.

He forecast that October 20 to November 10 will be the second period of greatest risk.

GRAVITATION BASIS
The elderly Vancouver civil engineer, who retired from active practice in 1932, said the "new law of gravitation" he has developed and which forms the basis for his predictions, does not provide any means of forecasting the location of earthquakes.

The 1940 temblors might occur in uninhabited areas and cause no loss of life, he said. Canada's subterranean structure is solid enough, he added, that there is no danger of a serious earthquake in the Dominion.

Several months ago Thrupp made public a prediction that November 8 to November 20 was a "period of risk." British Columbia and the Northwest United States felt a severe earth shock November 12. Several buildings in Washington and Oregon were damaged, but no injuries were reported. A minor shock was felt around Philadelphia November 14.

TURKISH DISASTERS
On November 23—within the "seven to ten days" leeway Thrupp allows because of the uncertainty of determining the "relative weakness of the earth's crust"—a severe quake occurred in Turkey, and several scores were killed in sixteen villages most seriously affected.

At the same time he forecast December 25, this year, to January 10, 1940, would "bring a much more destructive quake." Yesterday temblors were reported in both hemispheres, the most severe being in Turkey where news dispatches reported 20,000 persons killed.

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RACE HORSE HAS WHISKY

S.P.C.A. and Temperance Alliance Get After Owner Of Aussie Horse

MELBOURNE, Australia, Dec. 28 (CP-Reuters).—Malki, an extremely nervous gelding, always has a nip of whisky—in his case three-quarters of a bottle—on the morning of a race to steady himself.

Despite this treatment, Malki proved unlucky by running second in two big races.

Then the owner's friend, a whisky merchant, had an idea. Perhaps the horse didn't care for the particular brand that was given him.

The brand was changed—and so was Malki. He won his next two races, one of them, the Eclipse Stakes, after being fifteen lengths behind the leaders with half a mile to go.

Stewards of the Victoria Racing Club ruled that the whisky was a tonic, not a stimulant, and took no action.

But the R.S.P.C.A. and the Temperance Alliance did.

"Whisky under no circumstances can be described as a tonic for man or beast," said an executive of the Temperance Alliance. "It is a temporary stimulant, and then depresses."

"It's a damned thing to do," said the secretary of the R.S.P.C.A. "If a horse cannot race without first being given whisky, he shouldn't run at all."

BUCKAROOS BEAT SEATTLE ICEMEN

PORTLAND, Dec. 28 (AP).—The Portland Buckaroos snapped a three-game losing streak here tonight by defeating the Seattle Seahawks, 5-2. The Bucs were never behind from the first period, when they sniped the only three goals of the session.

LINE-UPS

Seattle—Pinke; Houbregs, Ripley; Downie; Daley, Tabor. Subs: King, Kenny, Blythe, Hutchinson.

Portland—Aikenhead; McAdam, Sutherland; Ouellette, Holmes, Webster. Subs: Conn, Scharfe, Martin, McCartney.

SUMMARY

First Period—1, Portland, Sutherland (Ouellette), 7:23; 2, Portland, Martin (McAdam), 17:42; 3, Portland, Ouellette (Holmes), 18:31. Penalty, Conn.

Second Period—4, Seattle, Daley (Ripley), 8:20; 5, Portland, Sutherland (Ouellette), 19:32. Penalties, Kenny, Daley.

Third Period—6, Portland, McCartney (Scharfe), 19:00; 7, Seattle, Ripley (King, Downie), 19:39.

AMATEUR HOCKEY RESULTS

Thunder Bay Senior—Geraldton 6, Fort William 1.
Mantoba Junior—Winnipeg Monarchs 5, Winnipeg Rangers 4.

PROPAGANDA BLAMED FOR TOURIST DROP

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ada of all tourists' goods, including such things as automobiles and money, to immediate conscription of tourists for armed service as soon as they enter Canada."

Those inquiries started immediately after Canada entered the war. They came from such widely-separated spots that tourist authorities could form no other opinion than that they were started with malicious intent.

On the outbreak of war, Canada's tourist trade with the United States declined sharply. This was taken by officials to be nothing more than natural apprehension. Then came the inquiries as to travel conditions and the flood of adverse rumors.

AGENCIES CIRCULARIZED

"Since then," said Mr. Dolan, "we have about caught up with these reports by circularizing all agencies in the United States. Now, with first-rate snow conditions in the Laurentians, indications are the winter tourist trade among sports enthusiasts will be larger than ever."

At the same time the Government Tourist Travel Bureau has called on Canadians to co-operate in helping to maintain the trade by giving tourists the standard rate of exchange on their currency as set forth by the Foreign Exchange Control Board.

CANADA HOLDING PLACE IN TRADE

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Import totals for 1939. Figures are available for ten months, but, with the Dominion importing heavily to assist in its war effort, the November and December figures may prove exceptionally great. Best estimates available indicate a total of \$710,000,000. Last year it was \$677,000,000. Such a total would give Canada a favorable balance of exports over imports of more than \$250,000,000.

"Women," declared the quiet little man in the corner seat, "endure pain more heroically than men. I know it from experience."

"Are you a doctor may I ask?" queried a fellow-passenger.

"No, sir, I am a shoemaker," replied the little man.

To Plan Sports For Servicemen

Under the direction of the co-ordinating council for war work and civilian services in Greater Victoria, the following committee has been appointed to draw up a sports programme for men of the sea, land and air forces stationed here: Alderman W. H. Davies, chairman; Archie McKinnon, Y.M.C.A.; A. E. Popham, soccer; Percy Shrimpton, Canadian Legion; H. J. Keichen, Rugby; A. C. Batchelor, secretary.

The committee was chosen by a nomination committee appointed from a recent meeting of representatives of all sports organizations and of the active service units.

PEDENS ARE LAP BEHIND

Victorians Trail Field in Cleveland Race—Audy And Moretti Lead

CLEVELAND, Dec. 28 (CP).—The Canadian-Italian duo of Jules Audy, of Montreal, and Cesar Moretti, of Italy, gained a lap to take the lead with 482 sprint points as four teams were tied for mileage leadership tonight in Cleveland's ninth international six-day bicycle race.

The Peden brothers, Torchy and Doug, of Victoria, were still a lap behind the leaders.

Standing of the teams at 10 p.m. M.S.T., follows: M. L. Pts. Audy-Moretti 1,537 9 482
Witthout-Creswell 1,537 9 455
Rochman-Thomson 1,537 9 296
Bergna-Bollari 1,537 9 184
W. Peden-D. Peden 1,537 8 390
Yacino-O'Brien 1,537 8 265
Letourner-Debaets 1,537 8 138
Otevere-Esposto 1,537 7 207
Shipman-Wissel 1,537 6 275

PARTY HELD BY LAWN BOWLERS

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Wilcoxon expected his final United States citizenship papers to arrive before his daughter did. But it did not happen that way. So young Wendy Joan will have her choice of countries twenty-one years hence under immigration provisions.

OILERS TRIMMED BY THUNDERBIRDS

PRINCE RUPERT, Dec. 28 (CP).—The hard-checking and sure-shooting University of British Columbia Thunderbirds played circles around the Standard Oilers, of Prince Rupert, here tonight in the second tilt of a two-game exhibition basketball series and rang up a score of 73-33.

Wednesday night they beat the oilmen, 53-41.

Varsity led, 28-11, at halftime in tonight's encounter, with Alexander and Pringle shooting fifteen points apiece for high scoring honors. Flynn was a point behind with fourteen markers for the students.

Beynon and Morgan were tops for Prince Rupert, with ten points each. Thunderbirds backed the night boat and will be heard in Vancouver Saturday afternoon.

JEAN DYER AND OLSEN WINNERS

Carry Off Trophies in V.A.S.C. Swims—Presentation Made

Jean Dyer and Peter Olsen, young Victoria Amateur Swimming Club free style artists, last night carried off the Armstrong and V.A.S.C. Cups, respectively, in club swims held at the Crystal Garden pool.

Miss Dyer's victory was her third in the last four years. Molly Leiper finished yards behind the winner and Marigold Mackenzie was third. Peter Olsen scored an excellent victory in the boys' event, finishing well ahead of Ewart McDonald, Jack Watson was third.

Theresa Lee-Warner took first place in the special event for members of the Girls' Drill Team, with Alice King second and Beryl Drew third.

In the fifty yards for boys over fifteen, Billy Stevenson was the winner and Graham Drew was second.

Members adjourned to the Chamber of Commerce following the swimming and enjoyed a social evening. Prizes were presented to the successful contestants by Capt. Nor-

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man Foster, club president, and Mrs. Alice Hibernson, women's coach, was the recipient of a handsome traveling bag, the gift of club members.

THE RETORT COURTEOUS

A pedestrian had fallen into a manhole and called for help.

"Dear me," said a gentleman who happened along. "Have you fallen into the manhole?"

"Not at all," was the reply. "As you seem interested, I will say I just happened to be down here and they built the pavement around me."

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The amber colour of Booth's House of Lords Gin is proof of its long years in the wood. Its exquisite flavour is proof of the mellowness that only such ageing can bring.

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Holiday Hospitality AT ITS BEST

Here is a list to choose from—brands noted for their quality and value wherever the ring of true hospitality is known. At this holiday season select your requirements from this list, knowing that your friends will endorse your choice, for each one is an outstanding favorite.

FINEST CANADIAN WHISKIES

SEAGRAM'S "V.O."	16 oz.	\$2.05
Rare Old Canadian Whisky	25 oz.	\$3.35
SEAGRAM'S "KING'S PLATE"	16 oz.	\$1.70
	25 oz.	\$2.65
	40 oz.	\$4.05
SEAGRAM'S SPECIAL Old Rye	13 oz.	\$1.25
	25 oz.	\$2.35
	40 oz.	\$3.55
MACKENZIE'S SPECIAL	16 oz.	\$1.70
	25 oz.	\$2.65
	40 oz.	\$4.05
MACKENZIE'S GRAND RESERVE	16 oz.	\$1.80
	25 oz.	\$2.80
	40 oz.	\$4.30

LONDON DRY GINS

Sir Robert BURNETT'S White Satin Gin	12 oz.	\$1.40
	25 oz.	\$2.70
Sir Robert BURNETT'S London Dry Gin	12 oz.	\$1.20
	25 oz.	\$2.30
	40 oz.	\$3.40
VICKERS' London Dry Gin	12 oz.	\$1.20
	25 oz.	\$2.30
	40 oz.	\$3.40

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MARINE and TRANSPORTATION

FEARS PROVE
GROUNDLESSMining Companies Still Keep
Northern Flyers Busy
Despite War

WINNIPEG, Dec. 28 (CP)—Fears that the outbreak of war would seriously cripple commercial air transportation business in the mining areas of Canada's vast Northwest have proved groundless so far, according to commercial airlines.

When the war clouds broke over Europe early in September, hard-rock miners predicted that many promising mines would be forced to suspend operations because of increased operating costs. Air transportation companies, majority of which rely on mining interests for their payrolls, tightened their belts and waited for the drop in revenue.

DID NOT HAPPEN
But the anticipated depression has failed to materialize, say officials of Canadian Airways, Wings Limited and Starratt Airways and Transportation, Limited, whose airplanes drone to the far stretches of the Arctic Circle in Northern Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba, and to lonely James Bay points in Northwestern Ontario.

"The war hasn't interfered with our business at all so far," they declared.

Surface mining gangs and prospecting parties have deserted the field in many districts, the bush flyers admitted, but this has been upset by increased activities in the major producing mines.

In some areas passenger service has improved with hostilities as Canada's military forces are augmented by rugged Northern miners. This new source of revenue works both ways because new employees must be flown in to the mines to replace those who have enlisted.

The call of the Royal Canadian Air Force, with its promise of new adventures, has proved a powerful lure.

MILL BAY FERRY
BRANTWOOD
9:00 A.M.
10:00 A.M.
11:00 A.M.
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1:00 P.M.
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4:00 P.M.
5:00 P.M.
MILL BAY
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1:10 P.M.
2:10 P.M.
3:10 P.M.
4:10 P.M.
5:10 P.M.
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11:00 A.M.
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Passengers 25c
Trucks (including driver) .125 to \$2.00
Motorcycles (including driver) .50c

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adventure in the air, has been answered by a number of bush pilots and aeronauts. But this depletion in the ranks of experienced airmen has not impaired the efficiency of the bush companies, say their customers in the wild north of steel.

Instead, the vacancies have allowed many youthful air aspirants to become full-fledged pilots and air engineers — positions which had eluded many of them in peacetime.

LITTLE CHANGE
ON WATERFRONT

Tie-Up Continues at California Port—"Huge Conspiracy" Charged

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28 (AP)—A group of C.I.O. leaders, including Harry Bridges, asked special representatives of the United States Attorney-General today to conduct an investigation of the current waterfront tie-up here, charging that a "huge conspiracy" existed in violation of anti-trust laws.

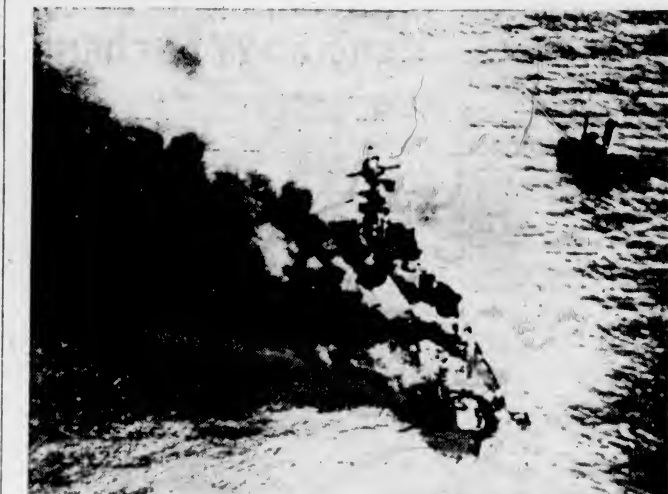
Apart from this new move, the waterfront tie-up continued in a cloakroom conference today with virtually no public headway made toward settlement, but hints of brisk behind-the-scenes activity. Waterfront employers were understood to be considering new informal suggestions of Governor Culbert L. Olson for breaking the deadlock which has tied up shipping activity here for six weeks.

About 650 ship clerks went out on strike November 10. Some 4,500 longshoremen are idle.

Submerged Piling Causes Damage to Bottom of Dredge

VANCOUVER, Dec. 28 (CP)—Salvage crews today attempted to raise the dredge John A. Lee, which sank during the Christmas week-end at the head of False Creek. Officials of McKenzie Barge & Derrick Co., Ltd., operators of the dredge, said a hole was punctured in the bottom of the craft when she settled on a submerged pile as the tide receded.

Graf Spee Still Burns Off Montevideo



This Aerial Photograph Shows the Remains of the Graf Spee Still Burning. Although the Bigger Part of the Vessel Is Under Water, The Uruguayan Authorities Are Undecided What to Do With the Twisted Hull. Once the Pride of the German Navy.

OFFICIATING AT
LAST SAD RITES

Fellow Officers Will Act as Pallbearers for Late Captain Thomas Rippon

VANCOUVER, Dec. 28 (CP)—Fellow officers of the Canadian Pacific Steamships will act as pallbearers at the funeral of the late Captain Tom Rippon on Saturday. Captain Rippon, marine superintendent for the line's British Columbia Coast Service since 1934, died yesterday. Pallbearers announced today were: Captain R. W. McMurray, manager of the B.C. Coast Steamships; Victor C. A. Colterell, assistant general manager Canadian Pacific Railway; Captain E. A. McKinnon, general superintendent Canadian Pacific Steamships; Fred K. Bailey, chief engineer; and Captain Robert Thompson, master of the West Coast steamship Princess Margaret.

Services will be conducted by Rev. O. M. Sanford at the Centre & Hanna Funeral Parlor here at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon, with interment at Mountain View Cemetery.

Arrived Yesterday

A portion of the long overdue British Christmas mails arrived here yesterday on the afternoon boat from Vancouver. By far the greater part of it must still be on the way, according to postoffice officials, who have no advice, however as to when it will get here for distribution.

MAIL AND SHIPS

WEATHER REPORT
KOOTENAY: Part cloudy; southeast light; 30.00, 47, light swell.
LEWIS AND CLARK: Part cloudy; southeast light; 29.87, heavy swell.
PACIFIC: Part cloudy; southeast light; 30.00, 47, moderate swell.
COLUMBIA: Part cloudy; calm; 29.98, moderate swell.

WHEN MAILS CLOSE

YERON AND ATLANTIC MAILS
Mails close 1:15 p.m., December 1, 12, 25, January 12, 26, via Vancouver; 4 p.m., December 8, 21, January 8, 19, via Seattle.
NOVOTIC MAILS
11:15 p.m., December 4, 5, 9, 12, 14, 18, 20, 23, 26, 30, January 1, 4, 5, via San Francisco.

COASTING CRAFT

VICTORIA-VANCOUVER—By Princess Kathleen or By Princess Margaret will leave Victoria for Vancouver daily at 1:55 p.m.; By Princess Kathleen or By Princess Margaret will arrive Victoria from Vancouver daily at 3:10 p.m.; By Princess Joan or By Princess Elizabeth will leave Victoria for Vancouver daily at 12:10 p.m.; By Princess Joan or By Princess Elizabeth will arrive Victoria from Vancouver daily at 1:10 p.m.

VICTORIA-SWARTZ BAY—By Princess Kathleen or By Princess Margaret will leave Victoria daily for Swartz Bay at 4:30 p.m.; By Princess Kathleen or By Princess Margaret will arrive Swartz Bay from Victoria daily at 9:15 a.m.; By Princess Joan or By Princess Elizabeth will leave Swartz Bay for Victoria daily at 1:15 p.m.; By Princess Joan or By Princess Elizabeth will arrive Victoria from Swartz Bay daily at 9:35 a.m.

VICTORIA-PORT ANGELES—By Princess Kathleen or By Princess Margaret will leave Victoria daily for Port Angeles at 9:15 a.m.; By Princess Kathleen or By Princess Margaret will arrive Port Angeles from Victoria daily at 1:15 p.m.

VICTORIA-GULF ISLANDS-VANCOUVER—By Princess Mary will leave Victoria for Gulf Islands and Vancouver daily at 1:55 p.m.; By Princess Mary will arrive Victoria from Gulf Islands and Vancouver daily at 3:10 p.m.

WEST COAST—By Princess Mary or By Princess Margaret will leave Victoria for Port Alice and West Coast points of Vancouver Island on the 11th, 11th and 21st of each month.

NANAIMO-CARBONARA—By Princess Kathleen or By Princess Margaret will leave Nanaimo for Carbonara daily (except Wednesdays) at 8:30 a.m.; By Princess Kathleen or By Princess Margaret will arrive Carbonara from Nanaimo daily at 1:15 p.m.

NANAIMO-VANCOUVER—By Princess Kathleen or By Princess Margaret will leave Nanaimo for Vancouver daily at 1:55 p.m.; By Princess Kathleen or By Princess Margaret will arrive Vancouver from Nanaimo daily at 3:10 p.m.

BIDNEY-ANACOSTA—By Princess Kathleen or By Princess Margaret will leave Bidney for Anacosta daily at 2 p.m.; By Princess Kathleen or By Princess Margaret will arrive Anacosta from Bidney daily at 11:30 a.m.

Longshoremen and Parents Rescued
Employers Differ
On Working Hours

ST. JOHN'S Nfld., Dec. 28 (CP)—Work was suspended on the St. John's harbor front today after longshoremen and their employers failed to reach an agreement on working hours. Today's action by the men followed a small-scale walkout yesterday when longshoremen refused to unload a steamship at one of the harbor piers.

LUPE DUPED BY
OLD GYPSY GYP

Motion Picture Actress Still Hunting for Woman And \$2,500

BEVERLY HILLS, Cal., Dec. 28 (AP)—Lupe Velez, fiery Mexican film actress, viewed a dozen gypsy women at Beverly Hills, Calif. today without finding the one she told police had stolen her \$2,500.

"The money's not here, nothing," she explained. "But just wait until I get my hands on that woman."

A month ago, Lupe told police, her maid introduced her to a "dark young woman," who said she was a gypsy with mystic powers.

"You have many enemies," the gypsy warned Lupe. "And they have put a curse on you."

Every day for two weeks she returned to the actress' home, imploring for the gypsy to lift the curse.

PRAYS OVER CASH
Then the told Lupe she would have better success if there was some money to pray over. "Lupe produced \$150. Two days later the gypsy brought it back."

"No good," she declared. "I need \$10,000 to pray over."

Lupe settled for \$2,500. "Give me a fourth of what I want and I'll be happy," she told the gypsy.

Last Friday the gypsy fingered Lupe's two \$1,000 bills and \$500 in assorted currency, strapped them—apparently—in a piece of red silk torn from one of Lupe's party dresses, gave it to Lupe and instructed her to go to bed and clutch the silk and concentrate.

Lupe concentrated, but nothing happened. Then she opened the package and found a neatly-shipped bundle of blank paper.

BANKER IS NAMED
BOARD CHAIRMAN

Charles J. Hambro Selected to Preside Over British-Swedish Trade Commission

LONDON, Dec. 28 (CP-Havas)—Charles J. Hambro, director of the Bank of England, tonight was named chairman of the mixed executive commission established by the British-Swedish trade agreement signed here today. The six-man commission composed of three Swedes and three Britons, will meet soon in London.

Negotiations are under way for similar agreements with Norway and Denmark. The Danish talks have been suspended for the holiday period, while those with Norway are still in a preliminary stage.

Reports Anglo-Swiss wartime trade discussions had been deadlocked were denied by Swiss authorities. The talks will be resumed after the holiday period, three sources said.

NOT BEFORE
An Englishman, on his first visit during prohibition to America, came to a small town, and said to the first man he saw: "Do I have to see a doctor before I get a drink here?"

"No, after," answered the man.

GREAT FAITH
IN VICTORIALocal Shipping Man Believes
City Will Attract Large
Population

J. C. Campbell, manager of Vancouver Barge Transportation, Ltd., plant here, is an enthusiastic believer in the future of Victoria, but cannot understand why the waterfront back of Wharf Street is not as busy as it was a decade ago. "The ships of all sizes lined the wharves between the Marine Building and Point Elliot. There's no reason why a section of it shouldn't support wharves and warehouses for a part of the distance anyway, and if the city would only burn down the old docks and shore erect a stone wall and fill in behind it with material dredged from the harbor, some waterfront property would become very useful and consequently more valuable."

At any rate, Mr. Campbell is very well satisfied with the progress his company has made in Victoria since it began to do business here some years ago. Gradually building up a worth-while clientele with its tug and barges, Vancouver Barge Transportation, Ltd. has found the old Kingston Wharf with its 7,000 square feet of floor space all too limited for the amount of freight handled recently, and to cope with its steadily-expanding traffic an additional shed is being erected.

Making ready for the additional storage space, considerable repaving and replanking has been carried out. The new shed, constructed of heavy timber and galvanized iron siding, will provide another 4,000 square feet of floor space and fill a much needed want.

VICTORIA FAVORED

Mr. Campbell also feels that nothing can stop Victoria attaining a large population. He thinks it would be as easy to acquire Los Angeles, and if the city devoted as much time to soliciting permanent residents as it does to attract tourists, it would grow rapidly. During the past year he said, his company's barges brought thousands of tourists to the city. Bluntly drawn back here, he added, is the lack of modern houses for occupation. He indicated the inconvenience which one of his customers experienced recently, where she had to leave her furniture stored on the dock for six weeks before she could find a suitable place to move into.

Vancouver Barge Transportation, Ltd. now operates two boats between

For the Festive Season...

SANDEMAN
SHERRIES

***** DRY

A pale Sherry of great age, body and character, which cannot fail to please. It is smooth, round and of great finesse.

AMONTILLADO FINO

A superb example of the rarest Amontillado. A dry pale wine of splendid body and character. The wine "par excellence" for the connoisseur.

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ing to the concern and six barges, another boat is under charter permanently, while a fourth boat is being frequently chartered. These boats all ply between Victoria, Vancouver and Strait of Georgia points, including Nanaimo, Courtenay, Blubber Bay and Powell River.

Pays Tribute to
Former Official
Of Coast Service

In a message from Winnipeg to Captain R. W. McMurray, manager of the B.C. Coast Service of Canadian Pacific Steamships, W. M. Neal, vice-president of Canadian Pacific Railway, pays tribute to the late Captain Thomas Rippon, former superintendent of the B.C. Coast Service, who passed away at Vancouver on Wednesday. Mr. Neal's message follows:

"Deeply grieved by news of the passing of Captain Thomas Rippon, for more than thirty-two years he was an efficient and valuable member of the company's B.C. Coast Service. He displayed at all times the characteristics of faith, efficiency, and all that is implied in the term 'seamanship' in its broadest and finest sense. I extend to you, who were so closely associated with him, and to members of his family my profound sympathy."

SIX CONCERNS
ARE LICENSEDInterior and Coast Companies
Granted Incorporation
Under B.C. Laws

Six companies received Provincial licenses this week, all being domestic firms situated on the Mainland. The list was announced as follows:

Britts, Limited, \$10,000, Chilliwack.
Penguin Products, Limited, \$10,000, Vancouver.
Perfection Products, Limited, \$25,000, Vernon.

Rose Marie Mines Syndicate, Limited, \$30,000, Vancouver.
North Vancouver Realty (E. N. Coppin), Limited, \$10,000, North Vancouver.

Lucas Motors, Limited, \$25,000, Vancouver.
No societies, co-operatives or credit unions were licensed during the period.

Shoppers in Germany are warned not to wrap the meat ration in their bus ticket. It might slip through the punch-hole.

EMU
AUSTRALIAN
BrandyA Product of the Grape
Perfectly Aged in
the Wood.

THE BEST HOLIDAY SPIRITS

Regale your friends and yourself with choice Emu (3 Star) Brandy. There's a "life", a warmth and a heartening richness which raise it well above many others. Its inexpensive, too, because of Empire Tariff Preference.

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HOLIDAY CHEER



13 Oz. \$1.50

26 Oz. \$2.75



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FINANCE - COMMERCE - MARKETS

Rally Caused in New York Mart By Tax Selling

NEW YORK, Dec. 28 (AP)—Waning of year-end tax selling attracted buyers in today's stock market and leading issues rallied fractions to more than two points at the best. Steels, aviation, mail orders, rail coppers and specialties led the upturn after a hesitant start.

Following two successive declines, The Associated Press average of sixty stocks was up 4.4 points at 50.8. Transfers totaled 1,060,680 shares against 1,146,340 the day before.

Business news, on the whole, was cheering and many traders returned to the bullish side when they recalled that in recent times January has usually witnessed substantial stock market reversals.

Retaining sizable advances were U.S. Steel, Bethlehem, Douglas Aircraft, Gen. Motors, Eastern Air Lines, American Air Lines, Lockheed, Montgomery Ward, New York Central, Anaconda, Cerro de Pasco, Dupont, International Harvester and International Paper preferred.

A favorable straw was seen in the bank clearing figures for the week ended yesterday. The total exceeded the like 1938 period by 15.6 per cent, breaking a series of six year-to-year declines in the Christmas week.

Strength in a number of Scandinavian issues featured foreign bonds today. Denmark 4 1/2-28 of 82 were up 1 1/4 at 101-1/4. Norway 4 1/2 of 63 were up 2 1/4 at 79 5/8. Finland 6 1/2 held at 40.

U.S. Governments had gains running up to 11-32 balanced by a few declines to 2-32.

DOW JONES' AVERAGES
Dow Jones' averages closed today as follows:
Thirty Industrials, 149.48, up .96.
Twenty rails, 31.53, up .54.
Fifty utilities, 25.18, up .33.
Forty bonds, 82.42, up .32.
Total sales 1,680,000.

(H. A. Humber, Ltd.)
Call Fractions: High Low Close
Allied Chemicals 17 1/2 17 3/4 17 3/4
Allis-Chalmers 39 1/2 39 3/4 39 3/4

STOCKS FIRM IN MONTREAL MART

MONTREAL, Dec. 28 (AP)—Stock market prices firmed slightly in last week's trading today.

Noranda climbed 1 1/2-2 and Nickel 1. Fractional advances were chalked up for Dominion Bridge, Canada Cement, Canadian Car preferred, Inco, Hudson Bay Mining, Brazilian, Gird, Bell Telephone, Quebec Power, Howard Smith and Imperial Tobacco.

Oils weakened with McColl Frontier down 3-8. International Petroleum 1-4 and Imperial Oil 1-8. Also backward were Asbestos, Building Products, Canadian Alcohol 'A' Montreal Power, Hollinger, Shawinigan, Bruck Silk and St. Lawrence Corporation.

MONTREAL QUOTATIONS
(James Richardson & Sons)

Stock	Bid	Asked
Alcan. Breweries Com.	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Breweries Ltd.	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Com.	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd.	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div.	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1938	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1939	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1940	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1941	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1942	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1943	112 1/2	113 1/2
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Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1957	112 1/2	113 1/2
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Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1961	112 1/2	113 1/2
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Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1964	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1965	112 1/2	113 1/2
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Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1969	112 1/2	113 1/2
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Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1971	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1972	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1973	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1974	112 1/2	113 1/2
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Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1984	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1985	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1986	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1987	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1988	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1989	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1990	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1991	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1992	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1993	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1994	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1995	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1996	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1997	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1998	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 1999	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. Pfd. Div. 2000	112 1/2	113 1/2

Foreign Bonds
(Burns & Wainwright, Ltd.)

Bond	Bid	Asked
Alcan. 4 1/2 1938	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. 4 1/2 1939	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. 4 1/2 1940	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. 4 1/2 1941	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. 4 1/2 1942	112 1/2	113 1/2
Alcan. 4 1/2 1943	112 1/2	113 1/2
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Metal Markets
NEW YORK, Dec. 28 (AP)—Copper, steady; electrolytic, spot, 12.50, ex- port, f.a.s., New York, 12.50. Tin, steady, spot and nearby, 50.00, forward 46.50. Lead, steady, spot, New York 5.50 to 5.55; East St. Louis, 5.35. Zinc, steady, East St. Louis, spot and forward, 6.00.

MONTREAL, Dec. 28 (AP)—Spot, copper, electrolytic, 12.50, tin, 51.50, lead, 5.50, zinc, 5.65, antimony, 15.25, per 100 pounds f.o.b. Montreal, five-ton lots.

LONDON, Dec. 28 (AP)—Tin, spot, 1247 1/2 bid, 1247 1/2 asked; future, 1246 1/2 bid, 1247 asked.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28 (AP)—Bar silver, 34 3/4, unchanged.

LONDON, Dec. 28 (AP)—Bar silver, 22 1/2 bid, 22 1/2 asked; equivalent 4 1/4 cent on the dollar basis, 44 1/2 to the pound; Bar gold 1585, unchanged.

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FOREIGN EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Quotations in cents.
Canada—Montreal in New York, 86 1/2; New York in Montreal, 112 1/2.
Brazil—16 1/2.
Denmark—19 3/4.
Finland—18 1/2.
France—23 1/2.
Germany—18 1/2.
Greece—7 1/2.
Hungary—17 1/2.
Italy—16 1/2.
Netherlands—32 1/2.
Norway—22 1/2.
Portugal—1 1/2.
Russia—23 1/2.
Sweden—22 1/2.
Switzerland—22 1/2.
Australia—Official 29 1/2, free 22 1/2.
Brazil—Official 400, free 5 1/2.
Mexico—17 1/2.
Japan—23 1/2.
Manila—24 1/2.
Shanghai—7 1/2.
Tientsin—2 1/2.

STERLING EXCHANGE
NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Quotations in dollars.
Sterling—1.35 1/2, 1.35 1/4, 1.35 1/8, 1.35 1/16, 1.35 1/32, 1.35 1/64, 1.35 1/128, 1.35 1/256, 1.35 1/512, 1.35 1/1024, 1.35 1/2048, 1.35 1/4096, 1.35 1/8192, 1.35 1/16384, 1.35 1/32768, 1.35 1/65536, 1.35 1/131072, 1.35 1/262144, 1.35 1/524288, 1.35 1/1048576, 1.35 1/2097152, 1.35 1/4194304, 1.35 1/8388608, 1.35 1/16777216, 1.35 1/33554432, 1.35 1/67108864, 1.35 1/134217728, 1.35 1/268435456, 1.35 1/536870912, 1.35 1/1073741824, 1.35 1/2147483648, 1.35 1/4294967296, 1.35 1/8589934592, 1.35 1/17179869184, 1.35 1/34359738368, 1.35 1/68719476736, 1.35 1/137438953472, 1.35 1/274877906944, 1.35 1/549755813888, 1.35 1/1099511627776, 1.35 1/2199023255552, 1.35 1/4398046511104, 1.35 1/8796093022208, 1.35 1/17592186044416, 1.35 1/35184372088832, 1.35 1/70368744177664, 1.35 1/140737488355328, 1.35 1/281474976710656, 1.35 1/562949953421312, 1.35 1/1125899906842624, 1.35 1/2251799813685248, 1.35 1/4503599627370496, 1.35 1/9007199254740992, 1.35 1/18014398509481984, 1.35 1/36028797018963968, 1.35 1/72057594037927936, 1.35 1/144115188075855872, 1.35 1/288230376151711744, 1.35 1/576460752303423488, 1.35 1/1152921504606846976, 1.35 1/2305843009213693952, 1.35 1/4611686018427387904, 1.35 1/9223372036854775808, 1.35 1/18446744073709551616, 1.35 1/36893488147419103232, 1.35 1/73786976294838206464, 1.35 1/147573952589676412928, 1.35 1/295147905179352825856, 1.35 1/590295810358705651712, 1.35 1/1180591620717411303424, 1.35 1/2361183241434822606848, 1.35 1/4722366482869645213696, 1.35 1/9444732965739290427392, 1.35 1/18889465931478580854784, 1.35 1/37778931862957161709568, 1.35 1/75557863725914323419136, 1.35 1/151115727451828646838272, 1.35 1/302231454903657293676544, 1.35 1/604462909807314587353088, 1.35 1/1208925819614629174706176, 1.35 1/2417851639229258349412352, 1.35 1/4835703278458516698824704, 1.35 1/9671406556917033397649408, 1.35 1/19342813113834066795298816, 1.35 1/38685626227668133590597632, 1.35 1/77371252455336267181195264, 1.35 1/154742504910672534362390528, 1.35 1/309485009821345068724781056, 1.35 1/618970019642690137449562112, 1.35 1/1237940039285380274899124224, 1.35 1/2475880078570760549798248448, 1.35 1/4951760157141521099596496896, 1.35 1/9903520314283042199192993792, 1.35 1/19807040628566084398385987584, 1.35 1/39614081257132168796771975168, 1.35 1/79228162514264337593543950336, 1.35 1/158456325028528675187087900672, 1.35 1/316912650057057350374175801344, 1.35 1/633825300114114700748351602688, 1.35 1/1267650600228229401496703205376, 1.35 1/2535301200456458802993406410752, 1.35 1/5070602400912917605986812821504, 1.35 1/10141204801825835211973625643008, 1.35 1/20282409603651670423947251286016, 1.35 1/40564819207303340847894502572032, 1.35 1/81129638414606681695789005144064, 1.35 1/162259276829213363391578010288128, 1.35 1/324518553658426726783156020576256, 1.35 1/649037107316853453566312041152512, 1.35 1/1298074214633706907132624082305024, 1.35 1/2596148429267413814265248164610048, 1.35 1/5192296858534827628530496329220096, 1.35 1/10384593717069655257060992658440192, 1.35 1/20769187434139310514121985316880384, 1.35 1/41538374868278621028243970633760768, 1.35 1/83076749736557242056487941267521536, 1.35 1/166153499473114484112975882535043072, 1.35 1/332306998946228968225951765070086144, 1.35 1/664613997892457936451903530140172288, 1.35 1/13292279957849158729038070602803456, 1.35 1/26584559915698317458076141205606912, 1.35 1/53169119831396634916152282411213824, 1.35 1/106338239662793269832304564822427648, 1.35 1/212676479325586539664609129644855296, 1.35 1/425352958651173079



FIGHT FOR LOVE

CHAPTER XVI

"I'll go away in the morning," she promised. "I'll never see him again."

"Oh, you mustn't do that," Nina said, but she was obviously relieved. "It will be better for me to take him to Europe for six weeks, but I'll find you another position before we leave."

Nina didn't really care in the least what happened to her; Star thought desolately. Nina's theories hadn't been worth a thing when applied to the acid test of her own flesh and blood. The shock of her employer's desertion made the girl realize that Nina's opinion concerned her more than Bob's. Star had been overwhelmed and flattered by his attentions; had loved him because of the resemblance to his mother whom she adored. But her idol was shattered. She could not marry him against Nina's will, and no doubt Nina was right. It had happened too quickly to be real. A few weeks of travel, doing interesting things and meeting the kind of people Nina would be sure to attract would erase all memory of Star. His loyalty would not permit him to give her up on account of her mother, but he could never feel the same about her again. Sooner or later he would resent the difference in background. He would be grateful in the end that he had been spared a marriage so obviously unsuitable.

Nina had just been talking when she said Star could associate with anyone. Her parentage would always be against her. It wasn't true then that you could arise above your environment no matter what it had been. It could reach out any time to clutch you, drag you down. But hers shouldn't. Star said grimly. She would break with Mamie. Have nothing to do with her. Why would the fact that she was Star's mother mean anything to her when it meant so little to Mamie?

Star sat by the window staring into the moon-flooded garden throughout the night making her plans, but never had she felt so desolate. Never had she known such bitterness as now swept over her. Only one thing remained to her. That was the pride she carried like a banner in her heart. She would not give Nina a chance to find her a position. Never again would she be a source of friction between her former employer and her son. When they came downstairs the next morning, Star would not be there and she would leave no single clue for Bob to follow in case he tried.

Mrs. Epperson rose at seven, but it was only six when Star slipped through the house with her suitcase in one hand. She left no notes. Her only fear was that someone would hear before she reached the door. Once outside, she cast a hurried glance over her shoulder and fled to the street car line. Fortunately she knew the city so well that she had no difficulty in reaching the section she had in mind. It was composed of small shops and rooming houses for block upon block. At one of these she would find a room.

What Today Means

"CAPRICORN"

If December 29 is your birthday, the best hours for you on this date are from 10:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., from 2:15 to 4:15 p.m., and from 8:15 to 10:15 p.m. The danger periods are from 8:15 to 10:15 a.m., from 6:15 to 8:15 p.m., and from 10:15 p.m. until midnight.

Allow yourself plenty of time, if you wish to be punctual for engagements. A spirit of recklessness may prevail this day, especially among motorists. Meddling will get many persons into trouble, particularly if they try to pull somebody else's chestnuts out of the fire. Brokers and merchandising men should remember that it is good business to "live and let live," by maintaining the proper margin of profit in any of their transactions. The plain, unvarnished truth may have a disconcerting effect, so it might be advisable to sugar-coat your words as an act of kindness. You are apt to find that you can think more clearly and do better work in any place where there is no conversation or noise that are likely to distract your attention. Married and engaged couples, and those who are busy declaring their love, can avoid quarrels this day only if they are willing to make concessions on certain occasions.

If you are a woman, and December 29 is your birthday, you ought to have exceptional will power, sufficient to enable you to overcome any undesirable habit. Your personality ought to win you many friends. Self-confidence, in all likelihood, will enable you to make a success of anything you undertake seriously. You probably work best alone or when permitted to use your own initiative. Your methods may be very original in attaining some of your ends. You probably will have no difficulty in demonstrating your efficiency as a librarian, modiste, milliner, business manager, actress, author, teacher, publicist, or in doing work of a missionary nature. You ought to be very lucky in your matrimonial choice. The child born on December 29 often is blessed with an exception-

ally good memory. People will delight in doing things for this youngster because of its appreciative nature. The majority of such children are fortunate enough to be taken under Lady Luck's wing and have little difficulty in making their way in life.

If you are a man, and December 29 is your natal day, to have firm friends you must do your part in being a friend. You will find that you will be judged by your deeds rather than by your professions of friendship. Your work as a lawyer, politician, writer, educator, clergyman, writer, actor, salesman, financier, artist, advertising man or agriculturist may get you widespread publicity, steady employment and plenty of money.

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How It Started

"JUMPING JEHOSEPHAT!"

Writes a reader:

"In studying our lesson Jehosephat today in Sunday school, the discussion came up as to how the expression 'Jumping Jehosephat!' started. Do you know the answer to this?"

From all that can be learned, Jehosephat, at the age of thirty-five, succeeded his father, Asa, as King of Judah and reigned with wisdom for twenty-five years, until his death.

Recorded history, tradition and Hebrew folk lore indicate that Jehosephat was a sedate sovereign. A judicial temperament, careful, thorough and deliberate.

How did the flighty expletive 'Jumping Jehosephat!' arise? The answer lies in our flair for alternative emphasis, combined with the desire to avoid profanity by softening sacrilege.

Hence the inoffensive 'Jehosephat' for Jesus or Jehovah, the substitution relieving pent up impulses just as well, but leaving the user with a clean conscience.

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"What are Smith's two daughters like?"

"The elder is terribly simple and the younger is simply terrible."

ROY POWERS, KING'S SCOUT

Reviewed and Approved by Dominion Headquarters, The Boy Scouts' Association.



MUTT AND JEFF

Doesn't Belong to Taxi Drivers' Local

By Bud Fisher



APPLE MARY

By Dale Allen



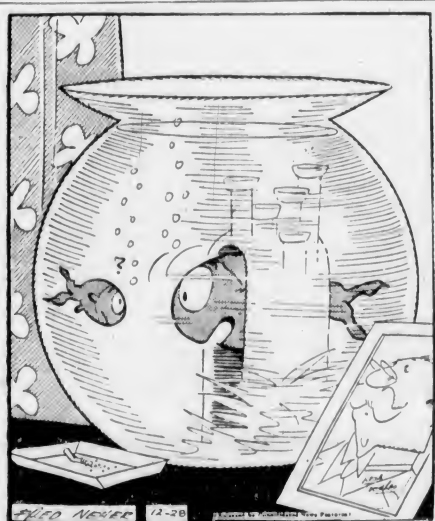
MORTIMER AND CHARLIE

It's Beyond Him

By Edgar Bergen



LIFE'S LIKE THAT - By Fred Neher



"Junior... did you take your bath yet?"

MIDNIGHT PHENOMENON



POPEYE



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Resort Stuff

By J. Millar Watt



BLONDIE

It's Momentum That Counts

By Chic Young



A Mart for Busy Readers—Property for Sale or Trade

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A MOST SUPERB HOME AND OVER-LOOKING ALL OAK BAY AND THE BAY. This is a most desirable property, three bedrooms, hot-water furnace, large kitchen, and a very large living room. To close an estate, this very desirable property is offered for the most reasonable price of

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A GOOD FAMILY HOME
LOCATED ON one of the best streets in the Fairfield district. A well-built home, five rooms and bathroom on the first floor, three extra rooms on the second floor, and a large garden. Price

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FAIRFIELD
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JAMES BAY SPECIAL
Reduced From \$2500 to \$2000
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OAK BAY—NEW STUCCO BUNGALOW
Nicely situated on a good corner lot, off Beach Drive. Has large living-room with open fireplace, oak floors, tiled sink, laundry tub, and a large garden. Price

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CONCRETE MODERN FOUR-ROOM BUNGALOW
A new, with furnace, garage, etc. This is a new little home, built

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WALKING DISTANCE—WELL-BUILT
A new bungalow of four rooms, with an extra room in a real good location. There is a furnace, garage, and a large lot in fruit and shade trees

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OFFERS WANTED
CHOMB & CO.
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FINE OAK BAY BUNGALOW
OAK FLOORS—HOT WATER HEAT
SITUATED NEAR UPLANDS GATES—This is a new bungalow, with a large living room, open fireplace, oak floors, tiled sink, laundry tub, and a large garden. Price

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THE ROYAL TRUST COMPANY
Real Estate Department
1205 Government St. Phone E 4128 E 2130

WISHING ONE AND ALL
THE COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON
AND A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR

ALFRED CARMICHAEL & CO. LTD.
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\$1300—NEAT FIVE-ROOMED BUNGALOW
ON a corner lot, with a large living room, open fireplace, oak floors, tiled sink, laundry tub, and a large garden. Price

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street, close to school. Five-roomed bungalow, with a large living room, open fireplace, oak floors, tiled sink, laundry tub, and a large garden. Price

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stucco, woodshed, garden lot, fruit trees. Taxes \$150. Price \$1500

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YOUR HOME, DUPLEX OR APARTMENT
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WELLINGTON COLLEGE BY RAILWAY COMPANY
NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Wellington College Railway Company will be held at the office of the Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir) Limited, Esplanade, Nanaimo, B.C., on Tuesday, the second day of January, 1940, at the hour of 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the election of Directors of said company for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of any other business connected with or incidental to the undertaking of the Railway Company that may be dealt with at the annual general meeting of its shareholders.

JOHN H. STEVENS
Secretary of the Wellington College Railway Company.

THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF NANAIMO
NOTICE is hereby given that tenders are required for the construction of a civic arena on Bridge Street, in the City of Nanaimo.

PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS MAY BE OBTAINED
from the City Engineer, Nanaimo, on payment of a deposit of twenty-five dollars, which will be refunded on return of the plans and specifications with the necessary bond and letting-in fee.

TENDERS MUST BE ON THE FORM OF TENDER
provided for this purpose.

THE TENDER MUST BE SUBMITTED AS SEPARATE ORDERS
to be in the hands of the City Clerk, City Hall, Nanaimo, by 5 p.m. Friday, January 10, 1940.

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6:30 p.m.—Forty-three years will be spanned musically during the course of the "Cavalcade of Hits," broadcast with the orchestra of Charles Durr, KGO.

9:00 p.m.—"Swanee River," screen biography of Stephen Foster, composer, will be previewed in a radio presentation on the "Kate Smith Hour," with Al Jolson, Don Ameche and Nancy Kelly. KIRO, KVI KSL.

9:00 p.m.—Rose Pauly, soprano, will be soloist with the orchestra conducted by Werner Janssen, in a benefit concert for the Finnish people. KOMO, KFI, KPO.

9:00 p.m.—Don Lee network—KIRO (710), KNX (1050), KVI (560).

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